# East Midlands Chamber names its 2022 Leicestershire businesses of the year

Residential and commercial construction company Scope Construction was named Leicestershire business of the year at the annual East Midlands Chamber awards.

The Loughborough-based company also picked up the award for outstanding growth at a ceremony which took place at Leicester City FC's King Power Stadium.

The business, founded by Maz Patel and Paz Patel in 2015, has almost trebled its seven-figure turnover over the past 12 months, and expects to double it again this year.

There were 13 categories at the awards, ranging from excellence in innovation and environmental impact at organisational level through to individual honours for entrepreneur of the year and apprentice of the year.

Finalists, chosen by a judging panel of the Chamber's senior leadership and board of directors, as well as sponsors, were announced at a black tie dinner.

Chamber chief executive Scott Knowles said: "The past few years have been challenging for our business community, and yet we continue to see so many shining examples of business success across our region.

"It's always important to celebrate these achievements and shout about the great things happening right here in Leicestershire.

"We know it is a fantastic place to do business and these organisations — many of which have worked together to maximise their impact within their sectors and communities — are doing

a wonderful job.

"Later this month, the Chamber will launch a Business Manifesto for Growth in the East Midlands and Beyond in Parliament that illustrates how our region is a Centre of Trading Excellence. Our Business Awards are full of companies that are living proof of this."

The awards were hosted by comedian Patrick Monahan and a raffle and auction raised funds for chamber president Lindsey Williams' three chosen charities this year — Focus, Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust and Treetops Hospice.

# East Midlands Chamber Leicestershire Business Awards winners

## **Business Improvement Through Technology**

Consultus International Group

# **Community Impact**

Leicestershire Cares

# **Outstanding Growth**

Scope Construction

#### **Excellence in Collaboration**

BrightER Futures (De Montfort University and ER Recruitment)

# **Environmental Impact**

Michael Smith Switchgear

# **Commitment to People Development**

CR Civil Engineering

#### Apprentice of the Year

Jessica Gould, CR Civil Engineering

# **Entrepreneur of the Year**

Jaz Kaur and Narinder Nijjar, Fraser Stretton Property Group

#### **Education and Business Partnership**

Leicestershire Cares

#### Excellence in Customer Service

Paradigm Wills & Legal Services

#### Excellence in International Trade

Unimed Procurement Services

#### Small Business of the Year

Creative62

#### **Excellence in Innovation**

The Simulator Company

#### **Business of the Year**

Scope Construction

Ms Williams, chief executive of Coalville-based housing association Futures Housing Group, said: "Behind every nominee and winner whose name will go up in lights are people and organisations that are truly delivering for the region.

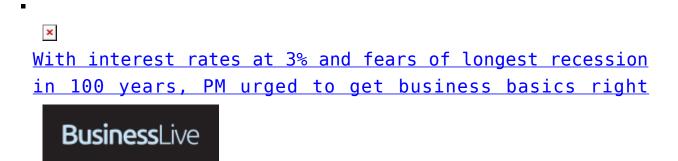
"Their achievements generate employment, wealth and opportunity not just for those directly connected, but for the wider community.

"So I'm proud to see the chamber yet again take the opportunity to bring us together and celebrate our top talent

- for their success but also for what they bring to the East Midlands as a whole."

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