

## INTRODUCTION

The photographs in this book are taken from entries in this year's International Beautiful Buildings Green Apple Awards campaign. Nominations were submitted from all around the world – from architects, builders, owners, tenants, property managers, tradesmen, etc.

There are categories for every type of building – from residential to commercial, from a cottage to a castle, from a bridge to a monument; large or small, old or new, humble or historic... all types of property have a role to play in our built environment.

Our judges are looking for examples that benefit the environment. That might be simply a positive, attractive visual impact on an area, or it might be direct ecological benefits such as a zero carbon footprint, use of recycled materials, solar panels, regeneration of an area, etc. The photographs are presented in no particular order of merit (Index on Page 4) and each one is captioned to identify the property, who nominated it and in which category it is competing.

The Green Apple Awards are organised by The Green Organisation, which began in 1994. It is an international, independent, non-profit, non-political environment group that recognises, rewards and promotes environmental best practice around the world.

We also plant trees every day of every year and we will make additional plantings to offset the paper used in this publication and the carbon footprint created by winners attending the presentation ceremony.

Visit www.thegreenorganisation.info to learn more about us, our other initiatives, events and membership. On the site you will also find The Green Book, our unique annual work of reference on environmental best practice that will help anyone to improve their environmental performance.

Do you admire a building or construction that deserves international recognition? You can make your nominations on the website. Thank you for your interest. THE GREEN ORGANISATION

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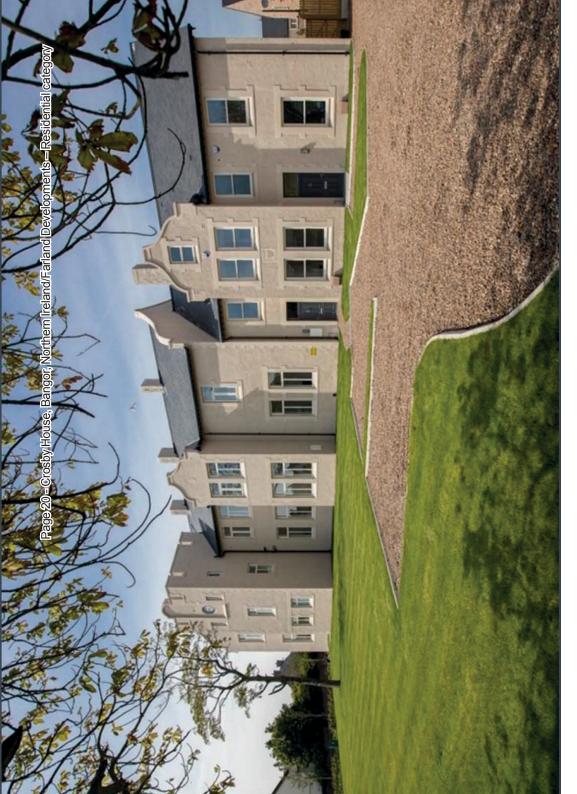














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