**The Insurance Institute of Stoke-on-Trent
The President’s Young Achiever of the Year Award 2025**

Presented by the Insurance Institute of Stoke-on-Trent, the Young Achiever of the Year Award is to publicly recognise and celebrate outstanding achievements of young professionals in the local insurance and financial services market.

**Entry Criteria:**

Ideally, you/your nominee will be a member of the Stoke-on-Trent Insurance Institute and candidates must meet the following criteria:

* Be under 35 years of age as of 1 January 2025
* Have been working in the insurance/financial services profession for at least two years as at the 1 January 2025
* Entrants can be from any section of the industry (e.g. - operations, support, etc.)
* You can nominate yourself or be nominated by someone else

Email the completed nomination form to **stokeciisue@outlook.com**

The closing date for entries is **Friday 25th July 2025**

**How to Enter:**

1. Check that you (or your nominee) meet the entry criteria to apply for the award
2. Complete the nomination form (on behalf of yourself or another), paying attention to the judging criteria that are set out below
3. Make sure that all your details are completed on the entry form so that we can contact you. Also attach a photograph of the nominee in jpeg format for inclusion in the programme at the Dinner

**Judging Criteria:**

The judging criteria will focus on three main categories, namely:

Professionalism: Evidence of promoting and demonstrating commitment to professional excellence

Contribution: Evidence of delivering value to either your own business or the profession as a whole

Career Path: Evidence of proactively seeking opportunities to progress and develop own capability to support progression through career path

Some examples which individuals may wish to touch on in their application include:

* Making significant progress with their chosen CII qualification
* Successful completion of an external qualification while working in a position of responsibility
* Successful delivery of a work-based project which has made a significant contribution to the individual’s business or significant progress within their profession
* A record of particular achievement, perhaps as a result of extra-curricular activities e.g. charitable, voluntary and/or community work
* Contribution to the wider insurance or financial services market through supporting local or national CII activities, e.g. submitting articles to industry press or organising industry events
* Evidence of using their own initiative to solve a business challenge or create added value in their area
* Successfully managing their own career and professional development including proactively seeking opportunities to gain exposure to new areas and developing new skills
* Evidence of motivating others through coaching, mentoring, acting as a positive role model, inspiring, and influencing others to achieve a successful outcome for their business or industry

It should be stressed that these are only examples and other, equally valid, examples can be used.

**The Judging Process:**

The nominations will be judged by a panel comprised of Council Members of The Insurance Institute of Stoke-on-Trent.

Finalists selected by the panel will be invited to attend the Institute’s Annual Dinner as a guest of the institute. On the night the President will present two awards; the Highly commended finalist with their £75 prize and the Young Achiever overall winner with their £200 prize and trophy.

**The Awards Timetable:**

25 July 2025: Closing date for entries

Mid-August 2025: Entries judged, and shortlisted finalists invited to attend dinner

26 September 2025: Annual Dinner and Awards presentation

Nomination Form

The President’s Young Achiever of the Year Award

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| **Nominee Information** |
| **First and Surname:** |  |
| **Date of Birth:** |  | **Email:** |  |
| **Position in Company** |  |
| **Company Name:** |  |
| **Company Address including postcode:** |  |
| **Contact Telephone Number:** |  |
| **Nominator Information *(if candidate has not self-nominated)*** |
| **First and Surname:** |  |
| **Position in Company:** |  |
| **Company Name:** |  |
| **Contact Telephone Number:** |  |
| **Email:** |  |
| **Relationship to Nominee:** |  |

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| **Professionalism (no more than 100 words)**Please provide a brief overview of how the candidate has been seen to promote and demonstrate commitment to professional excellence, over and above the level expected of someone in their role in the last 12 months. |
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| **Contribution (no more than 100 words)**Please provide a brief overview of how the candidate delivered value to either your own business or the profession as a whole, in the last 12 months. |
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| **Career Path (no more than 100 words)**Please provide details of the candidate’s career path to date, including evidence of proactively seeking opportunities to progress and develop through their career path in the last 12 months. |
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| **Additional information (no more than 50 words)**Please provide any further information to support the application of why this nominee should win the Insurance Institute of Stoke-on-Trent’s Young Achiever of the Year. |
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