

CARTER HOLT HARVEY INNOVATOR OF THE YEAR AWARD:

This award recognises a building surveying professional, or a team engaged in building surveying activities, who has demonstrated commitment to innovation in building surveying.

When one looks at innovation in the building sector, most people are immediately drawn to products and systems, that add in a small but important way to our relevant section of Maslow's hierarchy of Needs.

This year, ladies and gentlemen, our award winner is not only an innovator, but a newbie, a disruptor, a challenger and a contributor.

Creating something new is not for the feint hearted.

Our recipient had a specific target market, and in coming into the market they had to accept they would need to work through complexities associated with a concept that would challenge the Building Act and the Building (Accreditation of Building Consent Authorities) Regulations 2006.

Hallmarks of their raison d'etre were an in-house consenting system, that delivered pace and cost efficiencies. There was also a need to collaborate and consult.

In establishing NZ/s first non-territorial authority BCA, ambition needed to match pragmatism on outcome. To achieve this, the team behind this innovation was challenged and tested in the extreme, not only in developing appropriate processes, but in meeting government objectives and collaborations ensuring harmonisation with peer organisations they would partner with to ensure the appropriate consenting outcome.

In creating this unique BCA, the organisation has delivered a common consenting compliance pathway for the organisation they served: Kianga Ora, however, first and foremost they have on their role a co-regulator of the Building Code with MBIE.

Ladies and Gentlemen, the winner of this year's -

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is:

"CONSENTIUM"

