



**Apprentice of the Year**

**Stage 2 Interview Dates: 16th & 23rd September 2025**

**Criteria**

* *This award is open to businesses of any type.*
* *Entries must have a Doncaster focus in particularly references your business has had on the area or community.*
* *Eligible candidates should have finished their apprenticeships within the last 12 months.*
* *Max word count for scored question of 1000 words.*
* *Entrants may provide a maximum of 3 pieces of evidence to support their submission. Evidence must consist of images only i.e. charts/pictures. Entrants may be asked for additional information, including evidence of financial information, at the interview stage (Stage 2).*
* *All completed entry forms must be returned back to* [*awards@doncaster-chamber.co.uk*](mailto:awards@doncaster-chamber.co.uk) *by Sunday 8th June 2025*
* *Please ensure to block stage 2 interview dates out in your diary should they be needed as they cannot be moved or changed to an alternative.*
* *Stage 2 judging visits will take place at your premises listed below. If you do not have an alternative you will be required to find a room where this can be held.*
* *Maximum 3 categories per company can be entered.*
* *All entries will be screened prior to stage 1 and entries with limited information will not be put forward for judging.*

**Guidance**

* Apprentice must have demonstrated a commitment to learning. Apprentice must be good role model in your business and externally, going above and beyond and advocating for apprenticeships.
* Apprentice must have demonstrated their commitment to the business, integrating with the team, living upto company values, making innovations or improving things for the business. Detail how they have become an invaluable member of the team.
* Detail how the apprentice has developed over time and embraced opportunities to learn new skills. Provide examples of them taking the initiative to build upon their knowledge, how receptive they are to new challenges, and how far they have come since first starting in your business.
* Explain what attributes the apprentice possesses that will enable them to achieve success in their chosen profession. Provide examples of what their future prospects look like, where you see them in 5 years’ time and what makes them stand out from the crowd.

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**Company Information**

Company Name:

Contact Name:

Contact Number:

Email:

Address for Stage 2 Interview Visit if Required:

How many employees does you company employ (full time equivalent):

**Please briefly tell us about your business to provide the judges with some context for your answers. Here, you may want to reference your sector, main business activities, competitors, products and services.** (Max. 400 words, unscored)

Should you win in your category, we will play a song of your choice as you walk up on stage to collect your award. Please list your first and second choices below. Doncaster Chamber reserves the right to change any song. If no track is selected, Doncaster Chamber will allocate a song on your behalf.

**First Choice Second Choice**

**Why do you think your company’s apprentice deserves to win this award? Max 1000 words**

