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**Partnership of the Year**

**Stage 2 Interview Dates: 19th & 26th September 2025**

**Criteria**

* *Open to all businesses who have exemplified a collaborative spirit and benefit all stakeholders through the partnership.*
* *Entries must have a Doncaster focus in particularly references your business has had on the area or community.*
* *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**

* Describe your partnership and what you were you trying to achieve through it. Outline which organisation you have partnered with and what mutual goals you are striving towards. Include plenty of context here, so that the judges can understand what you are trying to achieve and how your chosen partner organisation is relevant to that goal.
* Describe your strategic aims (in a way that is measurable), any pertinent activities that you have undertaken, and ultimately how the collaboration works in practice. Detail how you have you worked with the partner in question to open up new opportunities for both organisations.
* Describe how and why your partnership came about, what make it unique. Make sure to be thorough and to tell a coherent story. Explain what makes your partnership stand out from the crowd.
* Provide evidence on how the partnership has contributed to both businesses success and growth. Supply concrete evidence that shows how your partnership has been a success. Include any stats that show growth; relevant metrics; case studies etc. Demonstrate the effect that your partnership has had on your (and your partner’s) financial performance.
* Describe any opportunities that you have been able to seize with the partnership that would otherwise have been inaccessible. For instance, perhaps you’ve accessed new markets, or improved your products and services in a major way. Emphasise how this relationship and collaborative working has benefited your partner organisation as well as yourself.



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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)

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|  | 2023/24 | 2024/25 | 2025/26 (Projected) |
| Turnover |  |  |  |
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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 does your business deserve to win this award? (Max 1000 words)**

