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RIDBA Announces Shortlist for the RIDBA Building Awards 2017

RIDBA (The Rural and Industrial Design and Building Association) launched the RIDBA Building Awards in September 2016 to showcase the best in rural and industrial buildings and after receiving a record number of entries, RIDBA is delighted to announce the shortlist to the industry.

The re-vamped FAB Awards is now in its third year and superbly demonstrates the diversity of skills of our members, from schools and offices to cattle buildings and stables. As such, RIDBA has divided the entries across seven categories: Cattle, Commercial, Education and Research, Equestrian, Production and Process, Recreation and Leisure, and Storage.

The judging panel consisted of industry experts including David Collier (David Collier Rural Planning), Niresh Somlie (BM Trada), Martin Heywood (RIDBA Technical Consultant) and Andrew Brown (Visit our Farm). The judges were very impressed by the high level of technical excellence demonstrated by RIDBA members delivering successful projects to their clients.

RIDBA is also pleased to announce its media partnership with Farming Monthly for the promotion of the RIDBA Building Awards 2017 providing RIDBA with a unique opportunity to promote the success of its members to the wider industry. RIDBA looks forward to its continued work with Farming Monthly.

Head Judge and RIDBA Technical Consultant, Martin Heywood, said:

“Congratulations to the shortlisted companies who have demonstrated their commitment to high standards and quality. The judges had a difficult task in choosing the winners and with the support of Farming Monthly, I am sure the RIDBA Building Awards will be a true benchmark for the industry.”

The winners will be revealed at the RIDBA Building Awards Dinner on **Friday 17 March** featuring a champagne drinks reception and a 3-course dinner. The event will be hosted by popular Countryfile presenter Ellie Harrison at the Radisson Blu hotel in Cardiff.

RIDBA would like to thank its sponsors: Kingspan, Joseph Ash, Filon Products, Metsec and Steadmans.

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Notes to Editors

1. [The Rural and Industrial Design and Building Association](#) (RIDBA) is the recognised trade association for the modern agricultural and industrial buildings industry.
2. Places at the RIDBA Building Awards Dinner can be booked by completing the [Booking Form](#).
3. [Farming Monthly](#) is a national magazine publication for the farming industry providing a mix of farming industry information, reporting and commentary on all aspects of agriculture.
4. The finalists for the RIDBA Building Awards 2017 are:

<p>Cattle:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lilburn Estates – Glendale Engineering • Middleton of Rora – Shand Building Design • The Old Stackyard – Paul Huxley Construction 	<p>Commercial:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Richard Designs – AC Bacon Engineering • Leighton Business Park – Rose Engineering • Wales Air Ambulance – Shufflebottom • Little Kelham – Marley Eternit
<p>Education and Research:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isle of Ely Primary School – AC Bacon Engineering • CUBRIC Building – Shufflebottom • Hills Road Sixth Form College – AC Bacon Engineering • John Ray Infant School – AC Bacon Engineering 	<p>Equestrian:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Oaks – Yorkshire Steel Buildings • Houghall College Equestrian Centre – S and A Fabrications • Rathmoy Stables (Ring) – MD Anthony • Rathmoy Stables (Barn) – MD Anthony
<p>Production and Process:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Galvanising Plant Refurbishment – AJ Lowther and Son • Ancre Hill Winery – AJ Lowther and Son • Linx House – AC Bacon Engineering • Great Dunmow Waste Transfer Station – AC Bacon Engineering 	<p>Recreation and Leisure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kynren – S & A Fabrications • Marrick Priory Archery Deck – Yorkshire Steel Buildings • Pensthorpe Play Barn – AC Bacon Engineering
<p>Storage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dalton Gates Farm – S & A Fabrications • Stancil Farm – Timmins Engineering & Construction • Featherstone House Farm - Timmins Engineering & Construction 	