# Media release



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## Alarm 2018 Risk Award winners announced – Partnership Award and Resilience Award

The 2018 Alarm Risk Award winners were announced at the Awards dinner held at The Principal Manchester on Monday 25 June, during the 2018 Alarm Conference hosted by Paul Sinha.

Outgoing Alarm Chair, Jane O'Leary commented "With this year's Conference focusing on empowering risk professionals to become Stronger and Louder, it is reassuring to see this reflected in so many of the Risk Awards submissions. The standard and variety of submissions represent the inspiring and diverse work undertaken each and every day in the profession."

Falkirk Council impressively won the 2018 Partnership and Resilience Awards for their Implementation of a national vulnerable person's database

The Partnership Award recognises organisations who have collaborated to mitigate risk and deliver noticeable benefits for all involved, highlighting the importance of partnership working.

The Resilience Award credits those organisations who have implemented a resilience plan that effectively responded to unexpected disruption or an emergency in the past year. Finalists have demonstrated that their framework safeguarded their organisation, ensuring it was able to continue delivering its key services and recover quickly following a disruptive incident.

When an incident occurred in the Council area, Falkirk relied on a paper list of potentially vulnerable people, making it difficult to determine who may need priority assistance. Sharing personal data legally in advance of an incident was their main barrier.

A vulnerable person's database was created, allowing for near instant identification of individuals via electronic mapping. It has been used to develop a national system, and the Scottish Government said: 'it is very doubtful if a national system could have been developed without the work, support and assistance of the Falkirk team'.

The esteemed Alarm Risk Awards are highly regarded as a measure of excellence in the management of risk and insurance in public service and community organisations. The awards are an invaluable opportunity for recognition; offering an opportunity to share these achievements with the wider community.

### 2018 Alarm Risk Award winners

Public service and community organisation awards

Community Award	ng homes	Engaging with the community to raise awareness and mitigate risk
Operational Award	City of Edinburgh Council	Self-assurance framework to manage operational risk
Partnership Award	Falkirk Council	Implementation of a national vulnerable person's database
Resilience Award	Falkirk Council	Implementation of a national vulnerable person's database
Strategic Award	Powys County Council	Organisational impact assessment

#### **Alarm Member awards**

Team of the Year	Corporate Fraud Team	Plymouth City Council
Professional of the Year	Pam Pursley	Somerset County Council

Alarm would like to thank the sponsors of this year's Awards whose valuable support aids the scheme's success: Aon, Maven Public Sector, Risk Management Partners, Sedgwick and Zurich Municipal.

Photographs of the presentation of awards are available on request. **Ends** 

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