

# INNOVATION AND DESIGN AWARD

# Engineering success

**WINNER**  
**Oliver Valve Tek Limited**

**ALSO NOMINATED**  
**Weston Digital Imaging**

**Matmi**

This award aimed to encourage and recognise innovative ideas and people.

Entrants were asked to show how they have innovated new products and services.

The award acknowledged individual effort and achievement as well as recognise achievements and success in business performance, through innovation.

**E**NGINEERS Oliver Valve Tek were celebrating after being rewarded for their achievements in innovation and design.

The judges described the firm as a very impressive business that has continued to succeed through design and innovation and has been unique in passing the latest global quality testing.

Part of the Oliver family of businesses, it specialises in the design and manufacture of a wide range of valves for both top-side and sub sea oil rigs worldwide.

Judges commended the family owned business, which employs in excess of 250 people, for the fantastic contribution it makes to the local area.

Nick Howard, research and development manager at Oliver Valve Tek said: "We're incredibly pleased. There's a lot of bad news around saying we're not manufacturing or exporting enough, but we are proof that we are. For us it's always been not just about new ideas but improving the designs we already have to meet the challenges of working in the oil and gas industry."



Ron Smart (left) from R A Smart presents the award to Oliver Valve Tek's Nick Howard