

ice awarils were Tracy Foster (15 years), managing director Adrian Reynolds (15 years), Annette Stewart (15 years), Sandy Jarratt (15 years), director Ian Phillips (25 years), Linda Steele (25 years) and Li-

sa Watson (15 years).

Four others also celebrating long service who were not able to attend the event were Wendy Lord (40 years), Robert Mantle (25 years), Kay Botley

(15 years) and Sarah Holford (15 years).

Mr Reynolds said: "This was a great day for all at Duncan & Toplis.

"We have celebrated mem-

bers of the team who have given us many years of valuable service and I wish to thank them again for their commitment and hard work.

He added: "The chance to

get everyone together from our offices across the East Midlands is rare. It's a great opportunity to inform our extensive team of our successes, to reflect on the last 12 months

and to see where we are headed for the future."

Those staff attending the update, heard reports from directors on how the company is performing.

DEVELOPMENT

Awards aim to find best construction projects in county

Applications are being sought for the Lincolnshire Property and Construction Business Awards 2017.

The awards aim to give construction firms across the county an opportunity to celebrate their work receive recognition and be rewarded for all they do.

It is the first time Lincolnshire is celebrating the multimillion pound construction and property industry.

Zoe Summerfield, chair of the Construction Network and business development manager at Morgan Sindall, said: "These awards are all about showcasing the construction talent we have in Lincolnshire, and provide a fantastic opportunity to celebrate your business."

Judges are encouraging small companies (as well as medium to large businesses) to enter and show their talent and attributes, as there has been a lot of great construction activity in Lincolnshire within the past two years.

Judges are keen to hear from small business-

es including sole traders, partnerships, and limited organisations and to hear of their stories and passion behind their construction input".

The awards are free to enter and businesses are allowed to enter more than once.

The categories are; heritage project of the year, residential project of the year, sustainable project of the year, agent of the year, apprentice/young achiever of the year, development project of the year (up to £5 million) and development project of the Year (over £5 million).

The event will be held at Lincoln's Engine Shed.

Award entries close on November 1 this year and all those shortlisted will be announced on 26 November ready for the award ceremony on February 7.

To enter and for more details visit www.lincsconstructionandpropertyawards.co.uk. Each application has three questions for contenders to answer.

EMPLOYEES PASS WITH DISTINCTIONS



Congratulations on staff's exam success

Staff at a Grantham-based law firm are celebrating after the exam success of two colleagues.

Emily Roche and Nicola Church, pictured, worked for JMP Solicitors, at the Autumn Park Business Centre, in Dysart Road, and have both been made affiliate chartered legal executives after passing their exams

with distinctions.

Both started with the legal firm in an administration function before being supported by the company to undertake professional examinations in an bid to become chartered legal executives.

JMP Solicitors director Yvonne Carratt said: "It is such a pleasure to see Emily

and Nicola do so well."

She added: "It is part of our philosophy at JMP to support our people in their professional development.

"Congratulations are in order for Emily and Nicola for passing their exams with distinctions."

JMP was founded in 2001 and moved to Dysart Road three years ago.

Old blacksmith's is home for firm

A firm of architects has moved into a village's former blacksmiths. The old blacksmith's in Main Street, Buckminster, has been taken by John Fowkes Architects as well as the local combined police forces.

It follows the renovation of the premises by the Buckminster Estate.

John Fowkes Architects has moved into Buckminster as the location is central to its work.

John Fowkes said: "We are delighted to take the building. Not only is the location great but the restored barn is also similar to much of our work in being both rural and in breathing new life into an old landmark."



A new home for John Fowkes Architects in Buckminster.