

Telford Homes – Next Gen  
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Green gong for developer.

Telford Homes has been named the most improved home builder for a second year running in the 2018 Next Generation sustainable housing benchmark report. The developer behind such schemes as Manhattan Plaza in Poplar and The Liberty Building and Calders Wharf on the Isle of Dogs achieved a Gold Level Award for the first time in the report, rising up the rankings from sixth in 2017 and 17<sup>th</sup> in 2016.

Telford puts its progress down to its Building a Living Legacy strategy, which was launched in 2016 and sets out its approach to creating sustainable homes. The developer's chief executive Jon Di Stefano said: "We are delighted our commitment to sustainable house building has been recognised with the highest-level Gold Award in this year's New Generation benchmarking report. We are proud of our record on sustainability, as evidenced by our most improved status on the benchmark once again, which recognises our rise up the rankings of thirteen places in just three years. This has been enabled by our strategy to create places with a positive long-term contribution to London's built environment. Sustainability is an area of increasing importance for our partners and a key factor in our ability to secure and maintain mutually beneficial partnerships."

Next Generation analyses the performance of the 25 largest residential developers in the UK and is overseen by an executive committee made up of Homes England and the UK Green Building Council. It is administered by JLL.

The benchmark report enables home builders and their stakeholders to understand the sustainability of their operations and the places and properties they build across a range of criteria including strategy and governance, environment, society and economy, and disclosure and transparency. The benchmarking criteria are based on best practice standards and guidance and are designed to be challenging and go beyond statutory minimal or standard practice in the industry.