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Going for gold – McArthurGlen scoops energy-saving awards

McArthurGlen UK Designer Outlets received a top prize at the National Energy Foundation Awards for successfully reducing the amount of energy used at its outlets. Presented by guest of honour Dame Ellen MacArthur, this latest accolade recognises the business's ongoing commitment to reduce carbon emissions and for encouraging energy awareness among staff, contractors and brands.

The prestigious award forms part of the Energy Efficient Accreditation Scheme and is regarded as a benchmark standard in energy efficiency by the Carbon Trust and Energy Institute. To achieve EEAS accreditation, organisations must show that they are making real energy savings through management commitment, investment and energy efficiency measures.

David Norris, Deputy Retail Director, McArthurGlen UK Ltd, comments: "It is very gratifying to be recognised for our commitment to the environment. We constantly seek new ways to reduce the carbon footprint of our centres and although there is still much to do, we have made significant progress over the past three years in both the UK and indeed throughout Europe. This is due to the positive commitment of our teams at centre level, proactive investors and the full support of our Chairman, JW Kaempfer.

"There is no doubt in my mind that organizations such as the EEAS and the Carbon Trust have been enormously helpful to us, the results of which have benefited both landlord and tenant, as well as the communities within which our centres operate. We will continue our efforts to reduce our energy consumption and increase our recycling initiatives and we would also like to implement larger projects such as the use of wind turbines, solar energy and food recycling."

EEAS assessor Alan Williams was impressed by the comprehensive grasp of energy efficiency at across all McArthurGlen sites in the UK and praised the energy management team for their hard work. Alan Williams commented: "The facilities managers have an in-depth appreciation of the opportunities available for energy efficiency. The waste management is comprehensively managed with food waste, the only major landfill burden."

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McArthurGlen is well under way with its three-year Environmental and Energy Strategy that is being implemented throughout the business in the UK and Europe. The principal aim is to reduce its centres' carbon footprint and environmental impact on the key areas in which they operate. The far-reaching policy aims to comply with government and European regulatory requirements and will be monitored and reviewed internally on a quarterly basis.

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