

RIBA East Building of the Year



Winner

Community Award

Sponsored by the Norfolk Charitable Trust

The Salvation Army Chelmsford

Client: The Salvation Army

Architect: Hudson Architects

Photographer: Keith Collie

Constructed entirely of a cross-laminated timber panel system and cloaked in an undulating zinc roof, the Salvation Army Citadel Corps in Chelmsford provides new accommodation for the mission.

Jury comments

A dramatic, well executed and minimalist building located in an ill-kempt environment beside the ring road. It is constructed of timber wall and roof panels, clad in zinc sheet and red composite board. The plan is clearly articulated and the building appears to work well for the very enthusiastic hands-on clients/users.

Building of the year comment

Overall this was the best building of the 18 visited and the 45 submitted. Its simple concept and innovative construction and unusual details fulfil all the criteria. The client is particularly to be congratulated for commissioning such a visionary building which serves a most vital role in its community.



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