



Having been named as the Institute of Directors (IoD) Director of the Year in the family business category at the annual awards event in 2021, Jacqueline O'Donovan, managing director of O'Donovan Waste Disposal, has at last been sent her actual award.

Due to the pandemic, the awards ceremony did not take place in person and due to diary scheduling, it is only now that Jacqueline finally has her prestigious award in her hands. This particular award recognises individuals in family businesses who have responded to the varying commercial climate and who have contributed to the success of the diverse, dynamic and innovative family business sector.

At the time, the judging panel of respected industry leaders of the IoD's London, South and Southwest region recognised Jacqueline for being at the forefront of leadership excellence, with her ongoing contributions to sustainability and business excellence and her wider industry collaboration on topics such as safety and best practice setting her apart from her peers. The judges commented of Jacqueline, "An amazing story of determination, drive, focus and passion – a clear business leader in a male dominated industry."

Jacqueline commented: "I'm absolutely delighted and honoured to receive the Family Business Director of the Year Award. It has been a busy year so far and it was a wonderful surprise when this was delivered today. It is always nice to be recognised for my work but I never lose sight of the fact that our business is service-led and these awards and accolades are only made possible by the team that I have around me!"

O'Donovan Waste Disposal is a waste management business, specialising in construction and demolition waste, with an excellent reputation as a trusted company, offering waste management and recycling services. Led by Jacqueline, the award-winning company champions a range of ongoing innovative initiatives that prioritises staff wellbeing, health and safety, training and environmental excellence, demonstrating a top-down commitment to best practice and is widely regarded as an industry leader.

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