

# Young Planner of the Year

## Commended: Adele Maher

**Strategic Planning Manager, London Borough of Tower Hamlets, England**

Adele is committed to change the role planning plays in promoting the economy and to make communities aware of the importance of planning. She joined the London Borough of Tower Hamlets in March 2015, bringing with her a wide range of planning experience and knowledge. Since then she has acted as an ambassador for the profession and consistently demonstrates her enthusiasm, originality of approach and personal and team working skills in her role as Strategic Planning Manager. Adele is a well-rounded planner and gained her ILM Strategic Leadership in Modern Local Government certification in May 2015. She undertakes private sector work on behalf of communities and cities. Her outreach work includes presentations at RTPI South East events and at UCL and Hamburg universities. She also regularly participates in POS, NLA, UDL, London Irish Town Planner networks and other events.



### Judges' comments:

*Adele shows a passionate commitment to planning, particularly in public sector, and a commitment to change the role planning plays in promoting the economy. She's a real ambassador to the profession!*



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