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The Grand, York Wins Hotel of the Year - Group at The 2022 Catey Awards 2022







London, 6^{th} **July 2022** - We are delighted to share that <u>The Grand</u>, <u>York</u> won *Hotel of the Year – Group* at last night's <u>Cateys Awards</u>.

Hosted by The Caterer Magazine, this is an evening that celebrates the best and brightest businesses and individuals in hospitality. The Hotel of the Year - Group category is open to any group hotel of any size and at any market level that demonstrates excellence in its chosen market, consistency of product and service, success as a business, present a healthy balance sheet and particular achievements in the past year. It is open to any hotel that is operated as part of a branded group with four or more units.

Winning this award only highlights The Grand's commitment to providing five-star luxury and the significant work that is put in behind the scenes. This is an incredible achievement reinforced by the judges' comments on the evening, "The Grand creates a wonderful, authentic hospitality experience for each and every guest. The team is a beacon of light in taking care of the York community. Onwards and upwards for this fantastic hotel!" – James Clark

A combination of investment in the business and strong leadership to guide the hotel through challenging times secured the win for The Grand in this year's Hotel of the Year – Group award. From understanding its target audience and creating experiential packages to differentiate it from competitors, such as its Dark Skies Experience, to staffing and its commitment to becoming a more sustainable business through the Grand Goes Green project, The Grand, York is certainly deserving of this year's award.

There are also some very exciting things to come for the hotel, as this summer, it will be launching its new fine-dining restaurant, Legacy. This will be a new and refreshed culinary offering providing guests with a unique dining experience. At the helm of the new restaurant is Head Chef Ahmed Abdalla. He will play a pivotal role in continuing to elevate the hotel's focus on modern British cuisine with a refined menu made up of a carefully curated collaboration of flavours and locally sourced ingredients.

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About The Grand, York

The Grand is housed in one of the historic city's most iconic buildings, offering guests a unique approach to inclusive luxury. A destination for memorable experiences and unforgettable service, The Grand delivers the finest of Yorkshire hospitality, from locally sourced food and beverage to bespoke experiential packages. The award-winning hotel features 207 rooms alongside an intimate and relaxing Spa, state-of-the-art Cookery School, world-class event facilities and exclusive food and beverage outlets including The Rise Restaurant, Terrace & Bar for breakfast, afternoon tea and dinner and The 1906 cocktail bar. With multi-functional rooms, The Grand is also one of the top wedding venues in York for both intimate and grand affairs. The historic building was originally constructed in 1906 as a 'Palace of Business' for one of the most powerful railway companies in Edwardian England. Open as a hotel since 2010, the building underwent an extensive refurbishment and expansion in 2018, with original elements of the building paying homage to its former status as an icon of the golden age of rail travel. The independent hotel is a member of Preferred Hotels and Resorts and is recognised by Virtuoso as one of the finest places to stay in York. The Grand has been acknowledged with multiple awards, including 'Best Afternoon Tea' by 2022 Condé Nast Johansens Award for Excellence and 'Large Hotel of the Year' at this year's Visit York Tourism Awards. www.thegrandyork.co.uk