



## **7Side Media Release**

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### **A real leader from 7Side Ltd is making a difference in Wales**

Sam Lloyd, 7Side Ltd, Cardiff was named as one of Wales' top leaders at a prestigious ceremony at Cardiff's Hilton Hotel, on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2009.

Mr Lloyd, Managing Director of 7Side Ltd, was recognised for his outstanding leadership in the Business with less than 250 employee's category, sponsored by Chartered Management Institute.

Becoming Managing Director in 2004, Sam has transformed 7Side into a dynamic, leading provider of Corporate Information and Property Search Services, a company punching way above its weight, successfully competing globally against industry giants.

Mr Lloyd's extraordinary commitment has made him the recognised driving force behind 7Side's vision and culture. A respected mentor, he gives direction to all employees making them feel included, valued and open to voice they own ideas and opinions, each playing a vital role in the success of 7Side. Sam also steers policy affecting the industry by having influential roles in varying regulatory bodies.

The Leading Wales Awards recognise great leadership at all levels across the public, private and voluntary sectors in Wales, celebrating individuals whose excellent leadership skills have made a strong impact and resulted in positive change within their organisations. This year the awards have sought real people, whose leadership has made a difference in Wales.

Following the awards ceremony, Sam Lloyd said: "I am particularly pleased to have been recognised as a leader who has made a difference in Wales which is largely due to ensuring that my personal development in my role has been at the forefront of my strategy."

Barbara Chidgey, spokesperson for the Leading Wales Awards, said: "Sam Lloyd is a tremendous example of the impact of great leadership skills on an organisation.

We are delighted to be able to celebrate the wealth of talent that exists in Wales and the fifth year for the awards has seen them grow even stronger. The calibre of entries never fails to impress the judges, who again had an extremely tough task in selecting the winners.

Our aim is to champion good leadership and influence leadership development by identifying, recognising and celebrating individuals, who through their leadership contribute to the prosperity of Wales. This year's nominees, finalists and award winners are tremendous individual examples of how leadership makes a real difference to our communities, businesses and to our lives."

Ruth Spellman OBE, Chief Executive of the Chartered Management Institute and sponsor for the Business with less than 250 employee's category, said:"Sam's award is a significant achievement because it highlights the benefits of leading by example, the importance of motivation and the value of taking the time to provide teams with a sense of vision. In the current economic climate organisations need individuals who can drive sustainable performance and demonstrate positive impact if we are to remain competitive and profitable – Sam's award is recognition that he is one such individual."

#### **Interview**

To arrange an interview with Sam Lloyd, please contact Hannah Caunter, Manager of Marketing and Events on 029 2045 1444 or via email at [hannah.caunter@7side.co.uk](mailto:hannah.caunter@7side.co.uk).

For more information on the Leading Wales Awards, visit [www.leadingwalesawards.com](http://www.leadingwalesawards.com)

Barbara Chidgey, Chair and spokesperson of the Awards, can be contacted on 07989 385114 or via [barbarachidgey@learningpathways.info](mailto:barbarachidgey@learningpathways.info) .

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#### **Notes to editors**

1. 7Side Ltd was established with a modest capital investment in 1981 as a partnership. In February 2004 7Side Ltd converted from a partnership to a limited company and has since seen considerable business growth.
2. 7Side are leading providers of UK and International Company Information, Company Formations, Property Search Services and Home Information Packs.

3. 7Side was the winner of the 2007 Customer Relations Initiative Award for the British and Irish Association of Law Librarians. A regional finalist in the 2006 AXA National Business Awards and highly commended in the national category of the 2007 National Business Awards.
4. 7Side's vision is to be recognised as the leading expert in property search services, corporate information and company formations and a first choice employer.
5. For further information please visit [www.7side.co.uk](http://www.7side.co.uk).

**Pictures (Below)**

Sam Lloyd, Managing Director, 7Side Ltd and Ruth Spellman OBE, Chief Executive of the Chartered Management Institute.

