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## Success for two Marlow companies at new awards

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TWO Marlow companies came out on top at the first ever Thames Valley Chamber of Commerce business awards.

CSL Digital and Ryemead Commercial Cleaning Ltd, both based in the town, picked up an accolade each at the inaugural business awards.

Recognising the talents, innovation and entrepreneurship of companies from across the region, the strong business community were out in force at the glittering event to help celebrate the success of local companies.

Showcasing why the Thames Valley is known as the UK's true turbo economy, representatives from companies large and small enjoyed the gala evening at The Hilton Hotel in Reading on June 27, hosted by five-time Olympian, Mark Foster.

CSL Digital, well known in the UK for supplying and supporting wide format digital printing and cutting systems, on behalf of major manufacturers like Roland and Fujifilm, picked up the 'Export Business of the Year' award.

The company, which has invested significantly in its international trade and export activities over recent years, has also picked up a handful of other accolades this year, including an International Trade and Export Business Award at the Bucks Business Awards.

Ryemead, commercial window cleaning specialists based in Marlow Bottom, landed the award for 'High Growth Business of the Year'.

Steve Hughes, managing director, said the company was "honoured and delighted" to have been given the award.

He said: "As a business, we have experienced spectacular growth in the last few years, and I feel

very proud that the business has received this prestigious recognition from TVCC.

"The awards night was so well organised and what an amazing buzz it was for me and the team to be presented with the award.

"We will continue our growth plans and, as a TVCC member, we have the best support any business in the Thames Valley area could wish for.

"The Thames Valley is such a thriving area for business and proudly boasts some of the best performing businesses in the country. As a member of TVCC we receive the best support, guidance and advice on all areas of business."

Jeffrey Smith, managing director at Eacotts International Limited, which sponsored the awards, added: "We sponsored the Awards not only to celebrate the work and results that have already been achieved but also to inspire activity by all to innovate,

commercialise and grow their businesses."

There were 11 major categories, including the highest accolade of 'Thames Valley Business of the Year', which went to Reading company, Westcoast Limited. Other categories included 'Best Use of Technology', 'Small Business of the Year' and 'Health and Wellbeing'.

The different awards were sponsored by companies like Heathrow, BP Collins and Grundon.

Shortlisted companies and winners will automatically enter the national British Chamber of Commerce Awards, which takes place in November.

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