



## Specialists in Asylum Seeker & Refugee Accommodation Services

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### Athlone Asylum Seeker Accommodation Centre presented with Q-Mark Award by Excellence Ireland Quality Association

At a gala function in the National Refugee Orientation Centre in Ballyhaunis, the management team at Bridgestock Ltd was presented with the Q-Mark by Ms Fiona Buckley (Director, Excellence Ireland Quality Association).

Bridgestock Ltd is now the leading provider of accommodation services to Asylum Seekers and Refugees in Ireland with operations in Sligo (Globe House), Ballinamore (Sliabh An Iarainn), Ballyhaunis, Athlone, Kiltimagh, and Ballaghaderreen and, as of recently, Galway. The company has been in existence since 2001 and now employs almost 200 people across seven locations in the west of Ireland.

Speaking at the Awards Function, Mr Michael Gillen (CEO Bridgestock Ltd) said that he was very proud of the achievement of all of the company's staff in attaining Q-Mark standard. He also recognised that the success of the business would not be possible without the collaboration and support of a whole range of governmental, non governmental and voluntary agencies.

Mr Noel Dowling (Principal Officer, Reception and Integration Agency, Dept Justice, Equality and Law Reform) said that he was delighted to be associated with the occasion and congratulated Bridgestock Ltd on its wonderful achievement.

A large gathering attended the function including representatives of the Reception and Integration Agency and HSE, together with members of Ballyhaunis Chamber of Commerce and Ballyhaunis District Community Council.