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## Announcement

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# Award-winning paper in 2019

Papers published in *Infrastructure Asset Management* are eligible for awards from the Institution of Civil Engineers (ICE). Papers from any of the ICE journals can be nominated for several awards. In addition, each journal has awards dedicated to their specific subject area.

On Thursday 4 June 2020, the award was announced for the following paper published in *Infrastructure Asset Management* in 2019. The Editorial Panel nominated their best papers and an awards committee chaired by Tim Broyd allocated the awards.

## Infrastructure Asset Management Prize

The Infrastructure Asset Management Prize was awarded to Adey *et al.* (2019).

## Abstract

The difficulties of engineers and managers agreeing on how to invest in infrastructure maintenance stem from a basic inability to communicate with each other. This leads to the suboptimal management of infrastructure.

Luckily, this situation can be remedied by engineers learning how to communicate their concerns in a way that managers can understand, so that they can clearly see whether a proposed action needs to be taken or can be deferred. This paper shows, with the help of a realistic example, in terms of infrastructure, methodology and techniques, how this can be done. The proposed approach, although upon reading is perhaps intuitive, is starkly absent in the literature in the field of infrastructure asset management. In the proposed approach, it is demonstrated how to improve the traditional approaches used by engineers to communicate to managers through (a) the quantification of the level of service as seen by managers, (b) the modelling of how infrastructure might not provide the required level of service and (c) the way of showing how intervention programmes can affect the provision of service, both now and in the future.

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