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## 2016 REVIEW OF THE YEAR

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### Westport sculpture nominated in Irish Architecture Awards

The public realm space The Sentinel sculpture in Westport, was among 50 projects shortlisted for this year's RIAI Irish Architecture Awards, which were announced by The Royal **Institute of the Architects** of Ireland (RIAI). The Sentinel sculpture which was created by Ronan Halpin was commissioned by Westport Town Council in 2013 following the town winning the award for the 'Best Place to Live in Ireland'.

The sculpture is constructed in bronze and stainless steel and stands more than six metres high. On its elevated stone plinth it overlooks the town of Westport, it depicts a spirit horse and rider and together they stand at the crossroads and point the way to the holy mountain, Croagh Patrick, and beyond. The sculpture went on to win the award.