



# CIHAPB Community Intelligent Housing Award (Greater Bay Area) 2026

## *Entry Kit*

CEREMONY

**3 Nov 2026**

NOMINATION CLOSES

**31 Jul 2026**

CATEGORIES

**13**

AWARD TIERS

**Gold / Silver / Bronze / CoE**

# Entry Kit



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# A pioneering awards programme



## Recognising smart building excellence

The CIHAPB Community Intelligent Housing Award (Greater Bay Area) 2026 honours outstanding achievements in smart building innovation, sustainable design and technology-enabled property management across the Greater Bay Area (including Hong Kong, Macau, and Guangdong Province cities).

The award span across corporate, residential, public and hotel buildings that demonstrate transformative use of technology to deliver measurable benefits for occupants, communities and the environment.

### Programme Aims

- Honour best-in-class smart building practices
- Showcase technologies enhancing performance & sustainability
- Foster collaboration across the industry
- Establish a benchmark for smart building excellence

### About CIHAPB

Established in 1966, the Chartered Institute of Housing Asian Pacific Branch (CIHAPB) is a leading professional body for housing managers, boasting over 3,400 regional members. It advances the profession through policy advocacy, ethical standards, and education.

# 13 Categories



CAT. #	BUILDING TYPE	BUILDING AGE
1	Commercial - Large ( $\geq 30,000 \text{ m}^2$ )	> 30 years
2	Commercial - Large ( $\geq 30,000 \text{ m}^2$ )	< 30 years
3	Commercial - Small & Medium ( $< 30,000 \text{ m}^2$ )	> 30 years
4	Commercial - Small & Medium ( $< 30,000 \text{ m}^2$ )	< 30 years
5	Residential - Large ( $\geq 2,001$ units)	> 30 years
6	Residential - Large ( $\geq 2,001$ units)	< 30 years
7	Residential - Medium (501 - 2,000 units)	> 30 years
8	Residential - Medium (501 - 2,000 units)	< 30 years
9	Residential - Small ( $\leq 500$ units)	> 30 years
10	Residential - Small ( $\leq 500$ units)	< 30 years
11	Social Caring / Public Institution / Academic / Facilities	n/a
12	Government Properties / Subsidized Housing	n/a
13	Hospitality	n/a

Eligible buildings must be in Greater Bay Area (including Hong Kong, Macau, and Guangdong Province cities). Each project is entered under one category. Building age is determined by the oldest Occupation Permit. Mainland GBA entrants may submit the equivalent completion certificate.



# Recognise buildings in four winning tiers

## Gold

**80% or above**

For projects that excel in multiple areas and show a powerful, catalytic effect. They are drivers of significant positive change, with compelling results and a clear model for others to follow.

## Silver

**70% or above**

For projects that demonstrate a strong and effective application of smart building principles in specific areas. They are successfully accelerating their journey and showing measurable, positive outcomes.

## Bronze

**60% or above**

For applicants who attain a satisfactory result in their written submission.

**Certificate of Excellence  
50% or above**

For applicants who attain a satisfactory result in their written submission, but can't join interview.

## BONUS POINTS

An additional +20% bonus is available for Commercial and Residential buildings over 30 years old that have implemented enhancement, upgrade or retrofitting work to extend the lifespan of the building.



# Two-stage assessment

## Stage 1

Submission materials must be submitted online on or before 31 July 2026

### Written Report, Video and required Materials

- All entrants submit by 31 July 2026
- Judging Panel reviews and shortlists candidates per each category for Stage 2 interview

## Stage 2

Finalist interview will be scheduled between September 7-18, 2026

### Finalist Presentation & Interview

- Shortlisted candidates present to the Judging Panel via Zoom meeting
- 5-minute oral presentation + 5-minute Q&A
- Maximum 15 slides

*Winners are selected after Stage 2 and announced at the CIHAPB Annual Conference & CIH Award Dinner on 3 November 2026.*



# Details of online submission materials

## Written Report

- Report body: maximum 10 pages of A4 (excluding cover page)
- Word limit: fewer than 2,000 words
- Headline font: Arial (English) / PMingLiU (Chinese) — 12pt Bold
- Body text font: Arial (English) / PMingLiU (Chinese) — 10pt
- Spacing: 2.5 cm margins on all sides and double line spacing
- Page numbers: marked at footer
- File format: PDF, compatible with Adobe Acrobat Reader and text-searchable

## Video

- Duration: Maximum 5 minutes
- Content: Showcase the building's smart features and address the five assessment criteria pillars
- Resolution: 1080p | Aspect ratio: 16:9
- Audio: clear audio required; subtitles and narration are optional
- File format: A hyperlink to a video platform or a secured cloud storage drive. For privacy, videos may be uploaded as "Unlisted" or password-protected, provided that the direct link and any required access passwords are disclosed to the organizing committee.

## Building Document

- Occupation Permit or equivalent completion documentation
- File Format: PDF

## Appendices

- Supporting materials (photos, charts, diagrams)
- Must not exceed 20 pages of A4
- File format: PDF

## Project Photos:

- Minimum 6 high-resolution project photographs
- File format: JPG or PNG, no less than 300 dpi

## Project Team Logos:

- Company/organisation logos of all project team members
- File format: AI or high resolution JPG/PNG



# Submission Fee

## EARLY BIRD

Pay entry fee on or before 15 July 2026

**HKD \$1,000**

MATERIALS DEADLINE

31 July 2026

## STANDARD RATE

Pay entry fee after 15 July 2026

**HKD \$1,500**

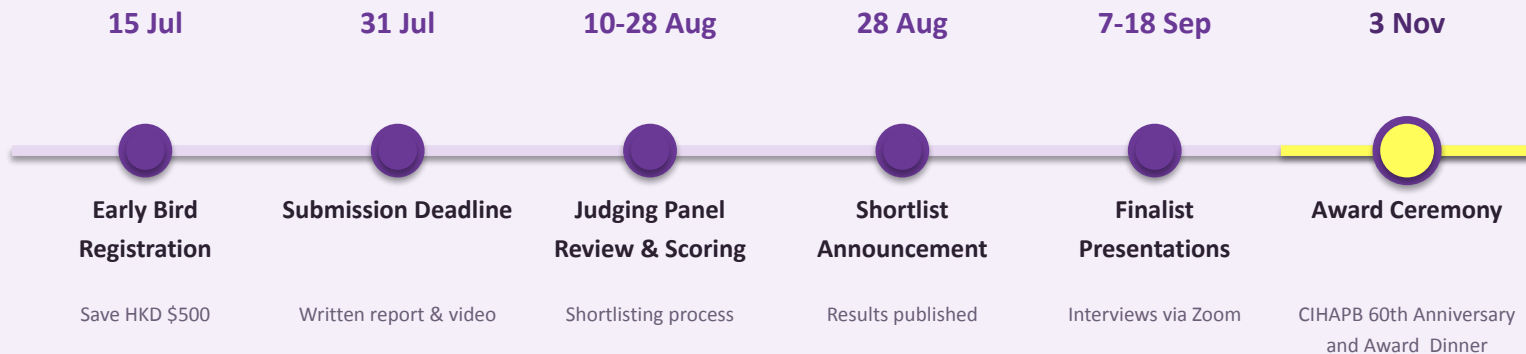
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All entry fees are non-refundable once paid, regardless of circumstances, including voluntary withdrawal or disqualification.



# Timeline at a glance



*All dates are subject to change. Updates will be communicated via the official awards website and direct messages from the Secretariat.*



# Five assessment pillars

All entries are assessed across five official criteria pillars, with weightings vary by building category.

## 01 Human-Centric Management 20-25%

A technologically-based management approach that dynamically prioritises health, comfort, and productivity through optimising resource use and operational efficiency.

### SUB-CRITERIA

- 1.1 Enhancement in user experience
- 1.2 Integration of multiple technologies for user-friendly adoption
- 1.3 Enhancement in staff work efficiency and productivity
- 1.4 Contribution to occupational safety, health and wellness
- 1.5 Workflow optimisation and bureaucracy elimination
- 1.6 Human-technology collaboration

## 02 Game-Changing Technologies & Proactive Building Management 20-30%

A self-optimising, innovative, and adaptive building that anticipates and addresses occupant needs and environmental shifts in real time.

### SUB-CRITERIA

- 2.1 Preventive and predictive planning
- 2.2 Responsiveness in risk and incident management
- 2.3 Proactive maintenance and reliability
- 2.4 Efficacy in operations and security control
- 2.5 Enhancement in customer service and relationship management
- 2.6 Innovative and resilient design

## 03 Environmental Excellence through Smart Building Management 15-25%

Bond building management with smart technology to achieve ambitious sustainability goals and significant environmental performance.

### SUB-CRITERIA

- 3.1 Energy and resource efficiency and optimisation
- 3.2 Sustainability in production and daily operations
- 3.3 Environmental comfort and quality of the building
- 3.4 Environmental and regulatory compliance
- 3.5 Environmental protection and promotion



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## 04 Community Catalyst: Bringing Benefits to Society 15-30%

Become a vibrant social hub that fosters community interaction, strengthens local bonds, and enhances collective well-being and economic vitality.

### SUB-CRITERIA

- 4.1 Application of inclusive and accessible design for those in need
- 4.2 Educational influence and industrial synergy
- 4.3 Vitalisation of local economics
- 4.4 Augmentation of life quality
- 4.5 Reinforcement of social connectivity
- 4.6 Multi-functional adaptability in meeting social needs

## 05 The Value Creator: Intelligent Investments, Tangible Returns 10-20%

Become a high-yield asset and reputed building that maximises cost-effectiveness, investor-attractiveness, and long-term business interest.

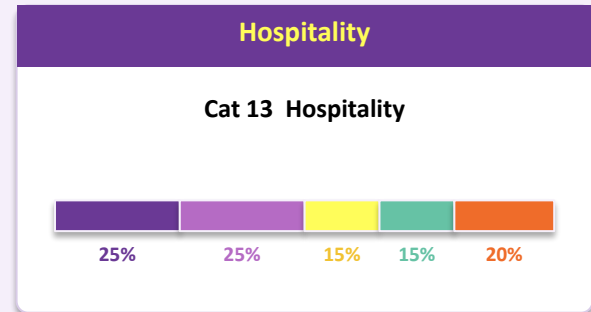
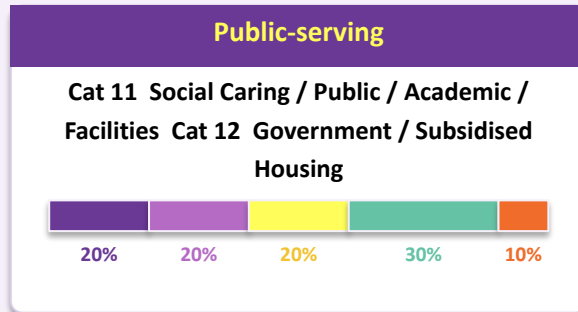
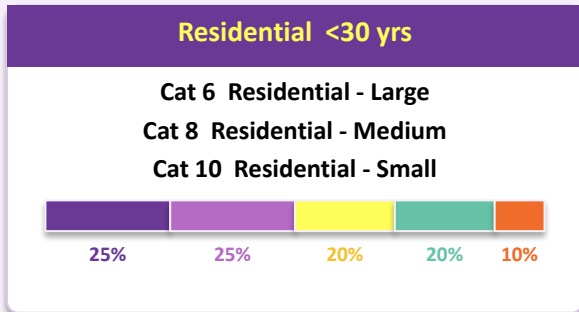
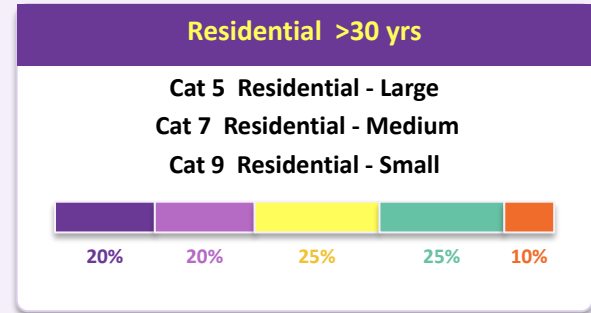
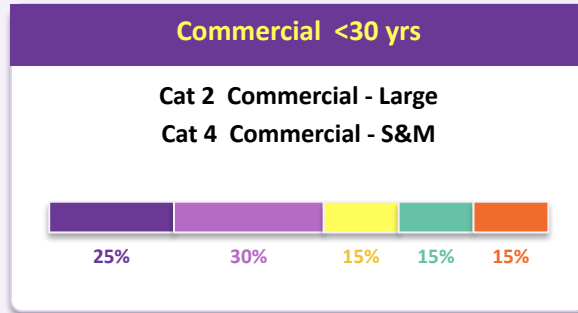
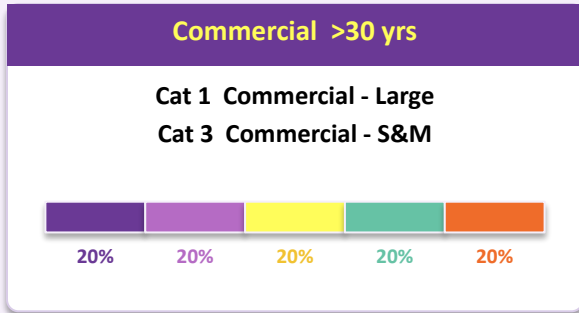
### SUB-CRITERIA

- 5.1 Budget optimisation and cost minimisation
- 5.2 Data-driven leasing and marketing
- 5.3 Yield return, profit, and revenue (data-monetised asset)
- 5.4 Certification and recognition achievement
- 5.5 Increment in asset value
- 5.6 Goodwill and reputation of company



# Pillar weights by award category

The 13 categories share 6 distinct weighting profiles. Prepare your written report base on the corresponding weighting as indicated..



Legend: P1 Human P2 Tech P3 Environ P4 Community P5 Value



# Score distribution

Judges will score submissions base on each assessment pillar using the below score distribution.

Score Distribution   Benchmark of weighting (0-10 per sub-criterion)				
<b>Unclassified</b> 0 - 2	<b>Satisfactory</b> 3 - 4	<b>Good</b> 5 - 6	<b>Very Good</b> 7 - 8	<b>Excellent</b> 9 - 10

*\*Benchmarks are for reference only. All Judging Panel decisions are final. Assessors may score each nomination by their own judgement.*



# Your submission checklist

**01**

## Register

Register an online account and pay the entry fee (early bird by 15 Jul to save HKD \$500).

**02**

## Prepare

Prepare all the submission materials and the written report against the five pillars.

**03**

## Submit

Upload all materials by 31 Jul. If shortlisted, present to the Judging Panel in September.

*Submission Terms & Conditions and the Assessment Criteria are available on the official awards website.*



# Submit your entry before 31 July 2026

For any inquiries, please contact our awards team.

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Thank you!

We look forward to receiving your entries and celebrating excellence in intelligent building management together.