LONDON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Climate Action Leadership

Award Category Charter and Application Questions

2027 Business Achievement Awards

Award format

Two finalists will be selected.

Purpose

Recognizes an organization that has achieved measurable environmental results and integrated climate action and sustainability into its operations and decisions.

Eligibility

- Eligible applicants are businesses or organizations with a substantive connection to London.
- The climate action described must have been implemented and supported by evidence of results. A commitment or announcement alone is insufficient.
- Chamber membership is not required and shall not influence eligibility, scoring or selection.
- A substantive London connection may be demonstrated through operations, workforce, market activity, investment or contributions to the city.
- An organization in which a Business Achievement Awards judge is materially involved is ineligible to apply during that judge's service and for the next two complete awards cycles following the end of that service.
- An applicant may apply in one Business of the Year category and one specialist category but may be named a finalist in only one competitive category in any awards cycle.
- Before applications are submitted to judges, the Chamber may recommend that an applicant move to another category. The applicant's consent is required for any transfer.
- An organization that receives a competitive Business Achievement Award is ineligible to apply for that same award during the next five complete awards cycles following the year of its win. It may apply again in that category after the restriction expires.
- An organization that receives a competitive Business Achievement Award is ineligible to apply for any other competitive Business Achievement Award during the next three complete awards cycles following the year of its win.
- These post-award restrictions apply to relevant awards received before 2027 as well as future awards. Applications during an ineligibility period will not be accepted. The restrictions apply to the organization as a whole, including where it has been rebranded, reorganized or operates through a successor. The Chamber determines whether an applicant is substantially the same organization.

Criteria and marks (100 marks available)

Criterion	Maximum marks	Assessment focus
Environmental results	30 marks	Measured improvements involving emissions, energy, waste, water, circularity, transportation, land, procurement or other material environmental impacts.
Strategy, governance and accountability	20 marks	Goals, assigned responsibility, measurement, reporting, risk oversight and integration into decisions.
Operational and financial integration	15 marks	Investment, procurement, operating practices, changes to products or services and demonstrated integration into the organization's activities.
Leadership, collaboration and influence	15 marks	Partnerships, employee participation, supply-chain influence, knowledge sharing and broader leadership.

Criterion	Maximum marks	Assessment focus
Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Race Relations	20 marks	Actions, accountability and evidence of progress in equity, diversity, inclusion, positive race relations and accessibility, assessed proportionately to the organization's context and capacity.

An otherwise eligible applicant who provides no relevant evidence for a criterion, including EDIRR, receives zero marks for that criterion and is not disqualified on that basis.

Key Results

These indicators are examples, not a mandatory checklist. Select the measures that best demonstrate material environmental results. Normally, provide at least three relevant quantitative environmental measures, where practicable, with credible comparisons or context. B Corp certification and alignment with the UN Sustainable Development Goals are optional supporting evidence, not prerequisites or substitutes for results.

Indicator	Current	Comparison	Change / context
GHG emissions or relevant intensity measure	Current	Baseline year	Change / context
Energy use or intensity	Current	Baseline	Change / context
Waste diversion or circularity measure	Current	Baseline	Change / context
Water or other material environmental measure	Current	Baseline	Change / context
Capital or operating investment in climate action	Current / cumulative	Baseline	Context
B Corp certification or progress toward certification (if applicable)	Status / score	Earlier status	Certification date, progress or context
UN Sustainable Development Goals addressed (if applicable)	Relevant SDGs	Earlier position / target	Actions, results or context
Two EDIRR indicators or examples selected by the applicant	Current evidence	Earlier position / context	Change / learning

Where meaningful, give a baseline, comparison period, target or explanation of change. Smaller organizations may use proportionate records and credible evidence. Exact revenue dollars are not required; percentages or reasonable ranges may be used where commercially sensitive.

Application questions

1. Environmental Results

Describe the environmental results achieved. Provide relevant measures, a baseline or comparison, the period covered and credible evidence of change.

Maximum: 600 words.

2. Strategy, Governance and Accountability

Explain how climate and sustainability goals, responsibilities, measurement and reporting are built into governance and decision-making. Illustrate how these arrangements have influenced action.

Maximum: 600 words.

3. Operational and Financial Integration

Describe changes to investment, operations, procurement, products or services resulting from your climate work. Where practical, indicate the investment or operating effect and the evidence of results.

Maximum: 600 words.

4. Leadership, Collaboration and Influence

Describe how employees, suppliers, customers, partners or communities have participated in or been influenced by your climate action. Provide meaningful evidence or examples of the effects.

Maximum: 600 words.

5. Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Race Relations

Describe how your organization advances equity, diversity, inclusion, positive race relations and accessibility. Identify the barriers you have addressed, the actions taken, who is accountable, and the progress made in areas such as your workplace, community experience, procurement or partnerships. Provide at least two indicators or examples of progress that are meaningful for your organization. These may include numbers, documented changes, feedback or impact storytelling.

Maximum: 600 words.

Additional Supporting Information

Organization Information

Company name, Address, Organization leader (name, title, phone & email), Primary application contact (name, title, phone & email), and number of employees

Organization Description (max 50-75 words)

Provide a brief 50–75 word description of your organization, outlining what you do and the products or services you offer. If selected as an award finalist, this description will be included in the gala program and media kit.

Company Logo

Please forward your high-resolution logo to julia@londonchamber.com

Release Statement

I agree to all terms of the Business Achievement Awards and confirm that the information provided in this application is true and accurate. I authorize the London Chamber of Commerce to share my company's contact information with the media for promotional purposes.

Designate Signature, Title, Date