



Awards

Emerging Professional / Apprentice Award 2026

This Award is **open to CIHT Members** including apprentices, graduates, entry level professionals and those early in their career/career change professionals, with less than 10 years relevant experience who are making a valuable contribution to highways or transportation in the West Midlands and establishing themselves as a positive role model for the industry.

Entries must clearly explain how the submission meets the criteria specified. Emerging Professionals and Apprentices who are members of CIHT may nominate themselves for the Award or be nominated by their CIHT Region or their employer.

Maximum marks attainable for each of the criteria noted in brackets.

Judging Criteria for the award:

- Contribution to the West Midlands highways or transportation sector (40)
- Role model for highways or transportation (40)
- Active in positively promoting the industry/sector within the West Midlands (20)

How to enter: To enter this award [please complete the entry form online](#) with the following information.

- Nominee's full name
- Nominee's email address
- Nominee's membership number
- Number of years in highways or transportation
- Current job title and employer
- Nominator's name (if applicable)
- Nominator's email address (if applicable)
- Supporting statements – 1,000 words maximum.

Please ensure that you have read the submission information before submitting your entry. **The deadline for entries is 23:59 on Monday 9th March 2026.**

Judging will commence in April 2026, and shortlisted entries will be notified. Winners will be announced at the WM CIHT Awards Dinner at the Burlington Hotel, Birmingham on the evening of **Thursday 7 May 2026** and details published through a variety of media platforms.