

## Building for Climate Change submissions summary published

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The full summary of submissions report from the 2020 Building for Climate Change consultation is now available following the initial findings which were released last month.

Between 31 August and 11 October 2020, MBIE we asked the public for their views on two building for climate change emissions mitigation frameworks:

- Whole-of-life embodied carbon reduction — which proposes to set mandatory reporting and measurement requirements for whole-of-life carbon emissions, including from the materials used in construction, the construction process, construction waste, and the disposal of a building at the end of its life.
- Transforming operational efficiency — which proposes to set required levels of efficiency for energy use and water use and define minimum indoor environmental quality measures for buildings.

MBIE received 374 submissions from across the building and construction sector, with a number of key themes emerging. These included a broad agreement that the building sector needs to take action to reduce emissions, as well as measures to improve the operation efficiency of buildings.

Thank you again to everyone who took the time to make a submission – your responses have been very valuable, and have helped us further develop the technical methodologies for our whole-of-life embodied carbon and transforming operational efficiency work.

In the near future, we will be reaching out to selected industry representatives for their feedback on some of these technical points. We will also continue to keep you updated as work on the Building for Climate Change programme progresses.

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