



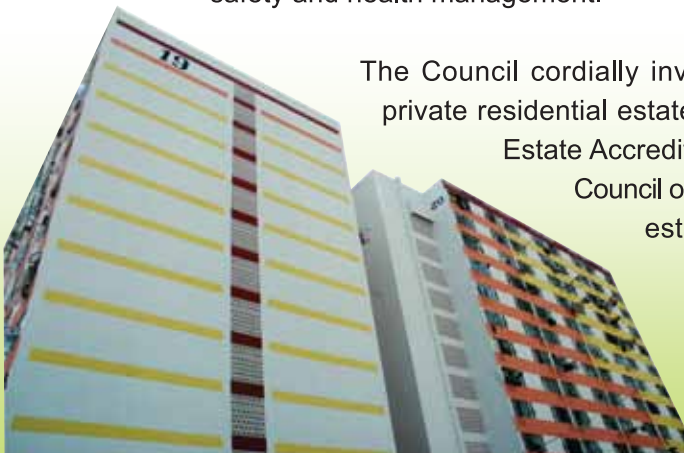
# **SHEAS** **Hong Kong Safe & Healthy Estate** **Accreditation Scheme**



The Safe and Healthy Estate Programme, the concept of which originated from the Hong Kong Safe Community Project, recognizes the importance and need for quality housing estates to maintain a safe and healthy environment, and endeavors to enhance awareness of safety and health among estates residents and service personnel at the community level. The ultimate aim is to cultivate a safety culture, and to raise the standard of occupational safety and health. Furthermore, the programme undertakes to promote communication and collaboration among the estate's management company, owners' organization, residents and the community at large in providing a safe, healthy and harmonious working and living environment for all residents and service staff, as well as visitors to the estate.



The Occupational Safety & Health Council (the Council) has recently launched the Hong Kong Safe and Healthy Estate Accreditation Scheme. A guidance kit on the Scheme has been produced to facilitate and encourage more estates to adopt the Safe and Healthy Estate Programme. Estate management companies will be able to develop their own safety and health management system using the guidelines as reference. The kit also includes a CD ROM which can help the estate management to carry out self-evaluation of the performance of the system so established for continuous improvement. Any estate which is satisfied that its safety and health management system has attained efficient operation can apply for accreditation under the Scheme. An assessor from the Council will conduct evaluation on the estate's system, and a certificate of accreditation will be awarded to the estate if assessment results meet the required standards. The certificate represents full recognition of the estate as a safe and healthy property, and also its excellence in performance with respect to safety and health management.



The Council cordially invites all estates (both public housing estates and private residential estates) to participate in the Hong Kong Safe & Healthy Estate Accreditation Scheme. Accreditation will be provided by the Council on a no-charge basis. The kit is available to all interested estates/estate management companies and could be obtained from office of the Council. Or you may complete the reply slip and the kit will be sent to you upon receipt of your request. For more details on the Scheme, please call 2739 9000 or email us at [estate@oshc.org.hk](mailto:estate@oshc.org.hk).