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A CRANBOURNE development has been named a national finalist in the 2013 Property Council of Australia/Rider Levett Bucknall Innovation and Excellence Awards.

Lifestyle Cranbourne, which is owned by Lifestyle Communities, was last week named a finalist in the Gadens Lawyers Award for Best Retirement Living Development.

The awards celebrate innovation and leading practice within Australia's property development and investment industries.

Lifestyle Communities managing director James Kelly said they were thrilled and delighted to be nominated as a finalist in these awards.

"We believe the nomination underpins the success of the Lifestyle Village as an alternative to traditional retirement living," he said.

"Our Cranbourne community showcases quality construction and

insightful urban planning. It also demonstrates the provision of affordable housing that provides homeowners with the highest possible level of amenity and supports consumer demands for a truly independent life full of fun and vitality.

"This way of living will undoubtedly be the way of the future for over 55s."

Lifestyle Cranbourne resident Fred Bolton said he loved living in the estate.

"Instead of spending my time mowing lawns I'm playing lawn bowls and tennis and having the time of my life," he said.

Rider Levett Bucknall managing director Michael Kerr said the awards provided an opportunity for the Australian property industry to recognise exceptional world-class developments and professionals across the country, and reward both established leaders and up-and-coming talent.

"We have proudly partnered with

the Property Council of Australia to present this outstanding awards program since its inception in 1982, and look forward to seeing the best developments recognised again in 2013," he said.

All finalists are in the running for the property industry's coveted 'gold logie' - the Australian Development of the Year Award.

National award winners will be announced at an awards gala dinner to be held in Sydney on Saturday 18 May.