# LG Professionals Tasmania

# 2024 Awards

# Submission Guidelines

Emerging Leader Award

Excellence in Leadership in Local Government Award

Community Service Delivery Award

Organisational Excellence Award

Applications open: 1 July 2024

Applications close: 13 September 2024

1. **About the Awards**

Local Government Professionals Tasmania represents local council executives and professionals and promotes the interests of members through advocacy, networking, and thought leadership.

The LG Professionals Tasmanian Awards is an annual celebration of outstanding achievements in local government.

The awards honour local governments for their efforts in making a difference in their communities, by showcasing innovative solutions that demonstrate leading practices, deliver quality services and better outcomes for communities.

The Award winners will be presented on the 17th October at Local Government Professionals Conference Gala Dinner at the Wrest Point Casino, Hobart.

The winners will:

* Receive a trophy for their council and certificate
* Feature in an awards publication to be circulated industry-wide; and

1. **Award Categories**

**Emerging Leader**

This award recognises the outstanding achievements of an up-and-comer in leadership and distinction. Nominees will be acknowledged for their demonstrated leadership ability including personal drive and integrity, vision and strategic thinking, as well as their contributions and ongoing commitment to their council and community at large.

These exemplary qualities can be evidenced through any demonstration of practicality and resourcefulness, including improved corporate processes, an outstanding project initiative, or innovation in management practices, for example. As an emerging leader, nominees must be 35 years of age or under with at least two years of local government experience.

**Community Service Delivery Award**

This award recognises excellence in community services as evidenced by way of corporate process improvements, outstanding project initiatives, management and leadership practices, or similar demonstration of practicality and resourcefulness. The award recognises councils that consider their responsibility in shaping community views and behaviours and actively engage with citizens.

**Excellence in Leadership in Local Government**

This award recognises the outstanding achievements in leadership and distinction. Nominees will be acknowledged for their demonstrated leadership ability including personal drive and integrity, vision and strategic thinking, as well as their contributions and ongoing commitment to their council and community at large.

These exemplary qualities can be evidenced through any demonstration of practicality and resourcefulness, including improved corporate processes, an outstanding project initiative, or innovation in management practices, for example.

**Organisational Excellence Award**

This award recognises outstanding organisational excellence in Local Government. This award aims to recognise the breadth of work undertaken by Local Government and can be evidenced by excellence in project delivery, dedication to innovative practices, commitment to environmental and sustainability initiatives, outstanding community/cross council collaboration, excellence in corporate processes or commitment to improving corporate culture.

1. **How to Enter**

Nominations should be [submitted online](https://lgprofessionalstas.org.au/awards/award-application/) by **5.00 pm, Friday 13th September, 2024.** No late submissions will be accepted.

By submitting the nominations, councils and applicants consent to the written materials and photos provided to be used by LG Professionals Tasmania in any publications, brochures, internet site, or other promotional initiatives.

1. **Key 2024 Dates**

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| Nominations open | Monday 1st July |
| Nominations close | Friday 13th September |
| Judging Period | 16 th – 27th September |
| Tas winners announced at LG Professionals Conference awards ceremony | Thursday 17th October at Wrest Point Casino |

1. **Assessment Criteria**

An independent judging panel will assess all submissions. Word limits must be strictly adhered to. Each application will be considered in the local council and community context. Larger funded projects will not necessarily be rated higher than smaller initiatives.

The panel’s decision is final, and there will be no further correspondence in relation to their decision.

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| **Selection Criteria** |
| **General information**   * Award category * Local government area, * Team lead and members, contact details * Partner organisations * Project name |
| **Overview (150-word limit)**  Provide a brief summary of the project or initiative outlining key information and achievements. This will be used in the award publication. |
| **Why this project? (350-word limit)**   * What is the rationale behind the project? * How does the project support local priorities or needs in line with the community context and long-term goals of the council? * How does the project address relevant issues and prioritise needs in the community? |
| **Project Delivery (350-word limit)**   * How is your project carried out in a structured way with clearly defined objectives, scope, and outcomes? * How is the project financially sustainable? * How did project managers identify and engage relevant stakeholders? * Are there monitoring and evaluation processes in place to ensure the project continues to improve over time? |
| **Impact (350-word limit)**   * How has your project demonstrated tangible, measurable outcomes? * Has the project achieved what it set out to deliver? * To what extent has this project add value to the council or the community? |
| **Leading Practice** **(350-word limit)**   * To what extent is this project or initiative serve as leading practice in the sector? * Is your project scalable? Are there any growth opportunities? * Is your project replicable by other councils? How have you contributed to the knowledge base to the benefit of other councils? |
| **Other**   * Provide four to five colour photos relating to the nomination. Photos must be at least 1 MB and in jpeg format. Please provide names and titles of people in each photograph along with a short description. * Attachments are welcomed (maximum 10-page). * Links to multimedia (i.e. videos and websites) may be included. |

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