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Local Government Professionals Australia announces National award winners

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The second National LG Professionals Australia Federation Awards were held at the 2016 LG Professional Australia Congress and Business Expo Gala Dinner on the Gold Coast, May 6. LG Professionals Australia is local government's peak association, working on behalf of local government employees for more than 79 years to promote professional development, local government best practice, and partnership opportunities for Australian councils. Finalists and winners in each category are as follows:

Emerging Leader of the year:

Finalists:

- Rebecca Bell, Bankstown City Council
- Lina Kakish, Liverpool City Council
- Mel Jeffrey, Maroondah City Council
- Ella Winnall, Berri Barmera Council

Winner – Lina Kakish

Community Partnerships and Collaboration Award

Finalists:

- Griffith City Council, Griffith Community Private Hospital
- Maranoa Regional Council, Be Healthy & Safe Maranoa
- City of Victor Harbor, Alexandrina Council, Fleurieu Regional Aquatic Centre Team
- Glenelg Shire Council, Great South Coast Beyond The Bell

Winner - Fleurieu Regional Aquatic Centre Team - City of Victor Harbor, Alexandrina Council

Innovative Management Initiative Award

Finalists:

- Blayney Shire Council, Connecting with the Community Program
- Coffs Harbour City Council, Transformation to Sustainability Program
- City of Launceston, Works and Assets Reactive Maintenance Project
- Townsville City council, Sensor Q Project
- City of Salisbury, Strategic Development Projects team
- Alexandrina Council, IT Services and Community Safety Teams
- Greater Shepparton City Council and Strathbogie Shire Council, Goulburn Valley Regional Collaborative Alliance

Winner - Strategic Development Projects team, City of Salisbury

About the National Federation Awards

The National Federation Awards recognise the individual excellence and achievement of Local Government professionals across Australia.

The awards are designed to raise the profile of the sector and the work undertaken by local government professionals in their communities, both in and out of the work environment.

These awards are an opportunity to collectively recognise local government professionals at the national level and to celebrate the commitment that each council has for their community.

Media

For comments about individual/ team award winners and photo opportunities, please contact the relevant council directly to liaise with council's media unit.

For more information about the awards, visit -

<http://www.lgprofessionalsaustralia.org.au/awards.html>