

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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## **Bayside Council cleans up at Sustainable Cities Award**

Bayside Council's Waste Avoidance & Resource Recovery Strategy cleaned up at the Keep Australia Beautiful NSW Sustainable Cities Awards announced on Wednesday 17 October.

"Bayside Council, one of the youngest councils in NSW continues to punch well above its weight. I think we can all be proud of this Award win. I would like to thank Bayside staff and the community for helping make the Bayside Council a leader in Waste Services, Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery," Mayor Bill Saravinovski said.

Bayside Council entered 5 key waste initiatives in the Sustainable Cities Awards and joined forty other finalists at the Awards presentation.

Bayside Council won the Circular Economy Award for its Waste Avoidance & Resource Recovery (WARR) Strategy 2030: The Journey to a Circular Economy.

Bayside Council is the youngest and the first amalgamated NSW Council to implement a long-term Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Strategy, setting a minimum landfill diversion rate of 85% by 2030.

This Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Strategy underpins all Bayside Council's programs, initiatives, technologies and improvements.

Bayside Council's Waste Services App received a Highly Commended Award.

The Waste Services App, available on smart device platforms, keeps residents informed of cleanup dates, recycling, green waste and community recycling drop off dates.

Council has received many online requests via the app that can also be used to report damaged bins, missed services and illegal dumping.

The Waste Services App can also be accessed from Council's website.

## For more information: