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Port Adelaide Enfield, SA, wins two awards at the Australian Sustainable Cities Awards 2009

The City of Port Adelaide Enfield has won the Resource Recovery & Waste Management and Young Legends category awards at the Keep Australia Beautiful, Australian Sustainable Cities Awards.

The winners were announced by Parliamentary Secretary for Social Inclusion and the Voluntary Sector Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens, and Keep Australia Beautiful National Chairman, Don Chambers at Parliament House in Canberra last night.

According to the Australian Sustainable Cities Judge, Sean Rooney, who is also the Sustainability Program Manager at Sinclair Knight Merz, the City of Port Adelaide Enfield demonstrates effectiveness and innovation in their approach to resource recovery and waste management.

“Council’s Bulk Residential Green Organics Disposal Program, has been successful in diverting and recycles around 500 tonnes of garden organics a year, by incentivising residents to manage their own green waste and converting this into compost for use in the region.”

“Their approach to construction and hard waste disposal has also facilitated the recycling of over 9,600 tonnes of construction & demolition materials in the 2008/2009 financial year”, he added.

Jenny Pickles, General Manager of the Packaging Stewardship Forum of the Australian Food and Grocery Council (PSF), congratulated the City of Port Adelaide on its commitment to improved recovery of a wide range of materials from industry and households. “Their work provides some great case studies for other local communities to emulate”, Jenny said.

Earning them the national Young Legends award, sponsored by ToysRUs, the City of Port Adelaide Enfield also supports the work of the Portside Christian School in actively caring for Mangrove Cove. This project provides numerous opportunities for the school to learn and be engaged with environmental sustainability initiatives in the area.

ToysRUs Australia Managing Director, John Campradt, said: “It is great to see the students at Portside actively getting involved in environmental initiatives that will help protect and preserve their local environment for generations to come. Congratulations to all students involved.”

The Australian Sustainable Cities Awards recognise efforts by residents, community groups, businesses and government agencies to protect and enhance their local environment to ensure its long term sustainability at all levels. The Awards are sponsored by the PSF’s ‘Do the Right Thing’ program; Grundfos Pumps; Sinclair Knight Merz (SKM) and ToysRUs.

The overall Australian Sustainable Cities 2009 winner was City of Canada Bay, NSW.

Further information about the Australian Sustainable Communities Awards can be found at www.kab.org.au

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Keep Australia Beautiful Australian Sustainable Cities Awards Recipients 2009

Category	Winner	Sponsor
Overall Winner	Canada Bay, NSW	
Community Action & Partnerships	Winner - Hobsons Bay, VIC Highly commended - Palmerston, NT	
'Dame Phyllis Frost' Litter Prevention	Canada Bay, NSW	
Resource Recovery & Waste Management	Port Adelaide Enfield, SA Highly commended: OzHarvest, ACT	Packaging Stewardship Forum 'Do the Right Thing' program
Environmental Innovation & Protection	Winner - Ipswich, QLD Highly commended - BRRAG, WA	Sinclair Knight Merz
Water Conservation	Canada Bay, NSW	Grundfos Pumps
Heritage & Culture	Launceston, TAS	
Young Legends	Port Adelaide Enfield, SA	Toys R Us
Energy Innovation	Canada Bay, NSW	

Full details for each entrant can be found at
<http://www.kab.org.au/programs/sustainable-cities/>

About the Australian Sustainable Communities Awards

Keep Australia Beautiful seeks to lead, challenge and inspire all Australians to strive for a sustainable and litter free environment. It does this through research, communications programs and awards programs.

Its national awards are known as the Australian Sustainable Communities Awards which consist of the Tidy Towns, Sustainable Cities and Clean Beaches Awards. Each awards program commences with state and territory awards and culminates in a national grand final.