

## ***CLARENCE CITY COUNCIL, Tasmania***

### ***Highly Commended***

#### **Environmental Innovation and Protection**

A High Commendation is given to the Clarence City Council in acknowledgment of the Council's leadership in addressing climate change and water resource management. To increase the community's understanding of climate change concepts the Council uses a communications package, SMART (Social Marketing and Awareness Raising Tool). The Council has likewise assessed impacts of climate change on low-lying areas, which has led to major amendments to the City's Planning Scheme. To respond to rapidly developing commercial development, the council has constructed a state of the art wastewater treatment facility. For these initiatives Clarence City has won the 2009 National Awards for Local Government Innovation in Natural Resources Management Category and the 2010 Category on Urban Planning Reforms.