

2019 Ipswich Enviro Awards

The Ipswich Enviro Awards will aim to recognise those in the community who have contributed to improve environmental and sustainable outcomes for the city. Categories include:

- Environmental Hero Award – Individual and/or organisation
 - Nominees in this category have undertaken action to improve or enhance the natural environment
- Sustainable Leadership Award – Individual and/or organisation
 - Nominees in this category have actioned new and creative solutions taking a holistic view of sustainability to reduce the communities environmental footprint
- Young Enviro Champion Award
 - Individuals under the age of 25 who have made an outstanding contribution to the protection of the environment or have committed to action a sustainability initiative can be nominated for this award
- Enviro Organisation Award
 - Open to organisations which have implemented activities to improve and protect the natural environment or improve sustainability through actions or design

Examples of initiatives under the Ipswich Enviro Awards include:

- Community greening activities/conservation works (tree plantings, clean ups, natural area rehabilitation)
- Environmental and sustainability educational events and/or community advocacy
- Individual greening activities benefiting the community
- Corporate environmental initiatives above best practice operations
- Sustainable initiatives that encourage increased sustainable living practices within the community
- Volunteering activities which assist with environmental protection or increased sustainable living practices

Nomination process

Nominations from the community will be requested to be submitted for the award categories. Members of the public, organisations, schools and not-for-profit groups can submit a nomination for any environmental or sustainability activities that they have undertaken during the previous year. The Smarty Grants program will be used to receive nominations and will request relevant information for the assessment of the nomination.

Nominations will need to include:

- Objectives of the initiative undertaken
- Complete details of the initiative undertaken including achievements, partners and community involvement
- Outcomes of the initiative undertaken

Assessment

Once nominations are received, a panel of judges will assess the nominations and select a winner in each category and any nominations that deserve a special mention. The winners will receive a trophy and certificate, while special mention nominees will receive a certificate at the awards ceremony following the EnviroForum.

Assessment criteria has been established for each category.

Category	Assessment	Scoring (1 – 5)
Environmental Hero Award	Extent to which initiative contributes to the improvement, enhancement and/or protection of the natural environment	1 (limited contribution) – 5 (extensive contribution)
	Extent to which the community was involved in the initiative	1 (limited involvement) – 5 (extensive involvement)
	Extent to which the initiative addresses local and regional environmental issues	1 (limited contribution) – 5 (extensive contribution)
	The involvement of partners in undertaking the initiative	1 (limited partners) – 5 (many partners)
	How innovative the initiative was	1 (no innovation) – 5 (very innovative)
	Initiative is within the Ipswich local government area	Requirement
	Nominee is an organisation, not-for-profit group or individual	Requirement
Sustainable Leadership Award	Extent to which initiative contributes to increased sustainability actions	1 (limited contribution) – 5 (extensive contribution)
	Extent to which the community was involved in the initiative	1 (limited involvement) – 5 (extensive involvement)
	Extent to which the initiative addresses local and regional sustainability issues	1 (limited contribution) – 5 (extensive contribution)
	The involvement of partners in undertaking the initiative	1 (limited partners) – 5 (many partners)
	How innovative the initiative was	1 (no innovation) – 5 (very innovative)
	Initiative is within the Ipswich local government area	Requirement
	Nominee is an organisation, not-for-profit group or individual	Requirement
Young Enviro Champion Award	Extent to which initiative contributes to increased environmental protection or sustainability actions	1 (limited contribution) – 5 (extensive contribution)
	Extent to which the community was involved in the initiative	1 (limited involvement) – 5 (extensive involvement)
	Extent to which the initiative addresses local and regional environmental and sustainability issues	1 (limited contribution) – 5 (extensive contribution)
	The involvement of partners in undertaking the initiative	1 (limited partners) – 5 (many partners)
	Initiative is within the Ipswich local government area	Requirement
	Individual under the age of 25	Requirement

Enviro Organisation Award	Extent to which initiative contributes to increased environmental protection or sustainability actions	1 (limited contribution) – 5 (extensive contribution)
	Extent to which the community was involved in the initiative	1 (limited involvement) – 5 (extensive involvement)
	Extent to which the initiative addresses local and regional environmental and sustainability issues	1 (limited contribution) – 5 (extensive contribution)
	The involvement of partners in undertaking the initiative	1 (limited partners) – 5 (many partners)
	Initiative is within the Ipswich local government area	Requirement
	Nominee is a business, not-for-profit group or school	Requirement