



GREATER DANDENONG Sustainability Awards

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Greater Dandenong Sustainability Awards - Guidelines and Conditions

The Greater Dandenong Sustainability Awards recognise and reward the community's efforts that help make our community and environment a more sustainable place to live, work and play. The 2016 Sustainability Awards will recognise achievements in the following categories:

Sustainable Community

Recognises the efforts by members of the community who have contributed to environmental sustainability within Greater Dandenong. The sustainable community category encourages entries from the following parties:

- **Schools** – includes primary, secondary, early learning centres and tertiary institutes
- **Households** - for actions undertaken in your home or garden
- **Community groups**- for actions that benefit our environment involving the community
- **Individuals** – working to make a difference at their home, work or school or other place

Sustainable Business

Recognises businesses (**commercial, industrial, retail**) that have reduced their environmental footprint or contributed to sustainability within Greater Dandenong. Any business can enter and their core business may or may not be focussed on environmental products, goods or services.

Sustainable Development

Recognises environmentally sustainable design and development in the built environment. This includes new buildings, or design projects that have received a permit but not yet built. Projects can be of any size and entries can be submitted by any member of the project team.

Video Competition - Healthy Waterways

Recognises videos made by anyone who lives, works or plays in the City of Greater Dandenong which show the importance of waterway health and/or how to achieve better waterway health in the City of Greater Dandenong and Victoria. The key message behind your video can be communicated in any way, (for example: musical, visual, theatrical, or animation).

Projects, initiatives, or achievements (however big or small) completed within the last 5 years are eligible for the Greater Dandenong Sustainability Awards. This is to recognise past and present achievements by our community.

What is an “environmentally sustainable” action?

See last year's awards winners on council's [website](#). If your action relates in any to, and benefits the environment then you should enter. A list of environmentally sustainable themes includes:

- Reducing energy use
- Reducing water consumption
- Food production (growing/cultivating)
- Improving stormwater quality or reducing the impacts of litter and rubbish
- Building retrofits/upgrades
- Providing new habitat for animals or plants
- Using or producing eco-friendly products
- Waste-wise practices (recycling, composting, re-purposing)
- Sustainable transport initiatives/habits
- Awareness, education or advocacy





Terms and Conditions

Please read the following conditions to ensure your entry is submitted correctly.

All entries received are taken on "Face Value" with no follow-up undertaken if entry forms are incorrect or not fully complete.

For all entrants

1. Complete the checklist on the entry form submission to ensure a valid entry.
2. The City of Greater Dandenong holds the right to decline entry forms if they are incomplete or do not meet the eligibility criteria for each category.
3. Council accepts no responsibility for entries which have false or misleading information. Having false or misleading information in your entry will make it invalid.
4. All entries will be required to submit photos. Refer to the photo submission guidelines when sent to entrants.
5. Photos submitted may be used for the City of Greater Dandenong website, print publications and in other printed or electronic media, so make sure you have permission for their use.
6. By submitting any photos you acknowledge the City of Greater Dandenong may use them in the public domain. By giving this permission, the entrants acknowledge that there will be no claim against the City of Greater Dandenong for any reward for the publication of photographs or video footage outside of this competition.
7. Entries in the Sustainable Business, Sustainable Development and Sustainable Community categories must have occurred within the municipal boundary of the City of Greater Dandenong to be valid.
8. Entries for the Sustainable Community, Sustainable Business, Sustainable Development and the Healthy Waterway Video Competition will be judged by a panel to decide a winner.
9. A minimum number of entries per category have been set. Council has the right to not proceed with that category should there be insufficient entries for that category.
10. Winners and their project names will be presented with their awards at the Greater Dandenong Sustainability Festival and

Relevant industry event and recognised in council publications after the presentation.

11. Prizes will be given to the individual named on the entry form. Prizes are not able to be split or divided in anyway by Council.
12. Council will reserves the right to select or change the prize that will be awarded to winners and finalists.
13. **For tenants:** Any tenant entering in the Sustainable Community or Sustainable Business categories must acknowledge that the actions were implemented by them and not by the property owner. Council accepts no responsibility for false or misleading information provided by entrants relating to initiatives completed with or without landlord's permission.

Submission Deadlines

14. All entries must be received by 4pm on Friday 30 June 2017 to be valid. Any entries received after this time will not be accepted.
15. Entries can be submitted online or handed in to the Dandenong Council Offices. Which are located at
 - a. **Dandenong:** 255 Lonsdale Street, Dandenong

Alternatively, you can post your submission for the Healthy Waterway Video Competition to:
Litter Prevention Officer
c/o Amy McLoughlin
PO Box 200, DANDENONG VIC 3175
All other entries can be posted to:
Sustainability Planning Unit
c/o James Mitchell
PO Box 200, DANDENONG VIC 3175

Privacy

Your contact details are being collected for the purpose of judging and promoting the Greater Dandenong Sustainability Awards. Your contact details will not be passed on to any third parties, unless you have given us permission to do so as indicated above. You can read City of Greater Dandenong's Privacy Policy [here](#).

The City of Greater Dandenong often takes photographs and video footage of local residents, community members and volunteers using Council services or participating in Council events for use in publications, on Council's website and/or by the media and affiliate organisations.





Video Entries

16. Entries for the Sustainable Community and Healthy Waterway Video Competition categories require the involvement of the person to either; work, live or play in the City of Greater Dandenong to be valid.
17. Entries are open to residents 5 to 25 years of age. All individuals under the age of 18 must have their entry verified by a parent or guardian prior to submission. Any entry that does not have parent/guardian permission will be deemed ineligible.
18. The Healthy Waterways entrant grants the Greater Dandenong Sustainable Video Competition the rights to:
 - a. Exhibit the video in the Greater Dandenong Sustainable Video Competition main screening and on subsequent dates until the end of December 2019.
 - b. Exhibit the production either in part or in total for promotional purposes
19. City of Greater Dandenong staff and their immediate families may enter but will be ineligible for a prize.
20. Entries for the Healthy Waterway Video Competition require:
 - c. A reference to Greater Dandenong and/or its suburbs/landmarks. This can be done visually, verbally or otherwise.
 - d. Video file format of 1920x1080 or at a minimum H264/MP4 and submitted via the web or on USB.
 - e. Video length between 30 seconds and 4 minutes long, inclusive of opening titles and closing credits.
 - f. English language or English subtitles.
 - g. Must be the equivalent of a PG rating or lower. Videos which exceed a PG equivalent rating will not be considered.

Acceptable Classification Guidelines (Video Entrants):

G - General

Suitable for all ages. Parents are able to feel confident that children may view material in this classification without supervision, knowing that no distress or harm is likely to be caused. Language: The mildest expletives, but only if infrequent and used in exceptional and justifiable circumstances.

Sex: Very discreet verbal references or implications provided they are justified by the narrative or other context.

Violence: Minimal, mild and incidental depictions provided they are justified by the context.

PG - Parental Guidance

Recommended for persons under 15 years. Films in this classification may contain adult themes or concepts which, when viewed by those under 15 years, require the guidance of a parent/guardian.

Language: Low level coarse language is acceptable, provided its use is not excessive.

Sex: Discreet verbal and/or visual depictions, references to sexual matters.

Violence: Depictions of violence must be mild in their impact, and/or presented in a stylized or theatrical fashion, or in an historical context. Other: Discreet information undertones and/or anti-drug references. Mild supernatural or 'horror' themes may warrant PG. Minimal nudity if in a justifiable context.

Copyright (Video Entrants)

All Healthy Waterway Video Competition entries must be original work. Videos submitted in these awards that do not have copyright clearance in regards to the use of non-original material cannot be considered for showing. This includes sound or visual clips.

While work submitted for assessment does not contravene copyright legislation, once they are displayed in the public domain their legal status changes. Applicants should seek clearance of all non-original material used. The Entrant is the copyright owner of the film.

The Entrant must have sort permission to use any copyrighted music featured in the film from the owner of the music. The City of Greater Dandenong takes no responsibility for any breach of copyright by other parties.

