Organics Recovery

Winner in Division B and Overall Winner

Orange City Council
The Orange Waste Project

The Orange Waste Project was born out of the threat of Orange City running out of landfill space by 2013. The project provided the City of Orange with an efficient solution which aimed to maximise resource recovery by introducing a food and organics waste collection, a composting facility to process organic material, and a new landfill for the residual waste. The Orange Waste Project has already achieved a 57% diversion rate from landfill, a remarkable increase on previous levels of 18-20%. The project has ongoing benefits for the Orange community, by diverting waste from landfill, avoiding greenhouse gas emissions and providing quality compost for its residents.

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Highly Commended in Division C

Ku-ring-gai Council
Commercial Food Waste Diversion Trial

Ku-ring-gai Council’s Commercial Food Waste Diversion Trial aimed to improve resource recovery by converting business food waste into garden fertiliser and methane for power generation. 42 Ku-ring-gai businesses were enrolled in the trial, and over the length of the trial approximately 34 tonnes of food waste was collected. The food waste was then sent to EarthPower alternative waste treatment facility where it was turned into garden fertiliser and green energy.

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Lake Macquarie City Council
Introducing Lake Macquarie’s green waste service

In April 2013, Lake Macquarie City introduced its green waste service to the 74,000 households in the LGA. This new service was supported by a comprehensive community education program informed by qualitative and social research to empower the community to make changes at home. The success of this phase of the project allows Lake Macquarie to move into the next stage of the project - building their garden and food waste composting facility at Awaba.

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