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**City of Cockburn employees recognized for outstanding work with State awards**

The City of Cockburn is pleased to congratulate two of its employees for picking up individual awards at the 2018 Your Move Awards and Work Safety WA Awards respectively.

**Jillian Woolmer, TravelSmart Officer**, was awarded the **Local Government Champion Award** at the **2018 Your Move Awards** announced on 24 October 2018 and sponsored by the Department of Transport.

The Your Move awards recognise individuals and organisations that champion active and sustainable transport.

Ms Woolmer has spent the last 22 years promoting active transport across a range of roles and organisations including: Curtin University, the City of Gosnells, the Department of Transport and now at the City of Cockburn.

Ms Woolmer was specifically recognized for her work promoting cycling and walking projects. She has travelled across the country and world to network with like-minded professionals and investigate active transport projects.

“It was wonderful to be acknowledged by my peers and gain recognition for my efforts over the years at my various workplaces. I feel lucky to have found my current dream job where my passion for active transport is appreciated and I am able to make a difference and help more people be able to walk, ride or use public transport,” said Ms Woolmer.

“Ride to the train station, work, shops or school and help reduce the congestion on our roads, save money on petrol and get fitter while you do it. Get out of your car and on your bike when you can or put on your walking shoes and enjoy the many wonderful paths in the City of Cockburn and the metropolitan area.”

The City of Cockburn also received an award in the Innovate category for Local Government at the Your Move Awards, for its Moon Deck glow bike path at Coogee.

**Scott Hunt**, Waste Delivery Officer, was named **Safety and Health Representative of the Year** at the **Work Safety Awards WA 2018** also announced on 24 October 2018.

The Work Safety Awards recognize outstanding workplace safety and health management, innovations and solutions that reduce the risk of injuries and disease in the workplace.

Mr Hunt, who has worked at the City for nine years, was recognized for his work as the Safety Representative for the City’s waste collection services.

“I wanted to demonstrate the importance of reporting hazards and near misses by leading from the front, so that we can all understand and prevent the danger in the challenges our employees face every day,” said Mr Hunt.

 “Staying healthy and injury free is a part of a happy life and becoming a Safety Rep provided me with a means to help others stay safe.

“Your health and wellbeing can be something hard to replace if you lose it. Everybody means something to somebody. I became a Safety Rep because the people I work with, my friends, mean something to me.”

City of Cockburn CEO, Stephen Cain, congratulated both recipients and said that these awards are a testament to the dedication of the City’s staff.

“I offer my congratulations to both Jillian and Scott for their well-deserved awards. The expertise, dedication and talent of individuals, like Jillian and Scott, is what makes our City as successful as it is,” said Mr Cain.

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