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Call for Nominations for Award to Recognise the Contributions of Councillors and Aldermen

The Life Members of the Local Government Association of Tasmania (LGAT) are calling for nominations for the 2016 Meritorious Service Award for aldermen and councillors. The annual award was introduced in 2011 to recognise exceptional service to local councils and communities by elected members.

Nominees are to have made a demonstrable contribution to Local Government in one or more of the following areas:

- Enhancement of the status of Local Government
- Introduction of a significant new or amended policy
- Innovation
- Entrepreneurship
- New or improved services
- Improved structural or operational outcomes or
- Engagement and consultation

Life Member, Barry Easter said "The Life Members want to give an opportunity for Tasmanians to recognise the tireless effort so many councillors contribute to their communities, efforts which should be recognised."

Nominations can be made by anyone on the Tasmanian Electoral Roll. Nominees can be any councillor or alderman who has served on a Tasmanian council at any time from 1 January 2012. Nominations close on 20 June 2016.

The award will be presented at the Local Government Conference Dinner, to be held at Wrest Point on 21 July.

For a copy of the Award Guidelines and Entry Form, please visit the [LGAT website](http://www.lgat.tas.gov.au) at www.lgat.tas.gov.au, or call 6233 5966.

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