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## Councillor Wilson awarded for waste work

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Cook Shire Councillor Alan Wilson's tireless efforts in waste management advocacy have been recognised by the State's peak waste management body.

Councillor Wilson's work in bringing the Container Refund Scheme to fruition was among the achievements that landed him a Rossko Award at the Local Area Waste Management Advisory Committee (LAWMAC) annual general meeting in October. Cr Wilson, who was re-elected as the LAWMAC chair at the meeting, said his work in waste was only due to his role at Council. "It is not just about me, I wouldn't be able to push recycling and waste management as much as I have without Cook Shire Council supporting me," he said.

Department of Environment and Heritage Protection Deputy Director General Tony Roberts also commended Cr Wilson and Cook Shire for their part in establishing the Container Refund Scheme, as did Minister for the Environment and Heritage Protection, Nationals Parks and the Great Barrier Reef Steve Miles.

Cr Wilson donated the \$500 bursary he received along with the award to prostate cancer research.

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