Some great news coming out of Wyndham City earlier this month, as we received top honours at Australia and New Zealand’s engineering services and public works peak body’s annual awards ceremony.

Our Capital Works Digital Dashboard – an online, map-based interactive tool – was recognised with the prestigious Excellence in Innovation Award at the Institute of Public Works Engineering Australasia Awards on 9th May.

The Dashboard provides up-to-date information on all our capital works projects across the City, through an interactive map on the Wyndham City website. Any member of the public can view projects in various stages of development, such as planning, design, tender and construction.

It’s great to see this platform has taken off, providing a transparent and high-quality service for our community. It’s also great to see that our innovation has been recognised with a prestigious sector award.

Earlier this year, our Wyndham Solar City project was recognised for its excellence, winning the Institute of Public Administration Australia Victoria’s Leadership in the Public Sector Award for sustainable communities.

The award-winning project saw the installation of more than 7,000 solar panels across 35 Council buildings and community services.

We were the only local government to win in these awards, being recognised for our forward-thinking approach to ensure our growth is managed sustainably.

In other news, we were last week shortlisted as a finalist for the Local Government – Schools Early Years category in this year’s HART Awards for two separate projects.

The first is for the 23 Wyndham City kindergartens who have embraced the challenge of reconciliation by developing and implementing Reconciliation Action Plans. With the support of Traditional Owners and Elders from the Kulin Nations people, 230 educators continue to lean into the complexity of Reconciliation, with a determination for the First People to be recognised.

The second is for the Wyndham Aboriginal Community Centre and Integrated Family Centre which will open its doors in Wyndham Vale later this year. The centre, named Wunggurrwil Dhurrung (meaning strong heart) has been shortlisted for its Aboriginal-led partnership governance and operation model. The centre will include an integrated family centre, neighbourhood community centre, and a dedicated Aboriginal community centre.

It’s great to see some of the positive work coming out of Wyndham recognised at a national level, demonstrating that we really are industry leaders.

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