

Item 8.1 Presentation of CEO Report – Issue 83

Question from Councillor Martin:

I see that Council has won a waste management initiative award. Can you please share some background on this and what that means for the Council?

Response:

In December 2021, The City of Port Phillip won the Keep Victoria Beautiful (KVB) - Sustainable Cities award in the category of litter for the initial implementation of the Mobile Resource Management System, known as the 'Operational/Ops System'.

The Ops System is an initiative aimed at digitising Council's operational functions by turning Council's fleet of garbage trucks, sweeper trucks, beach tractors, etc. into intelligent, data-capture devices. The project involved the installation of external cameras across all operational vehicles, alongside RFID units, GPS units, isolated sensors capable of recording items like bin lifts and sweeper brush deployment, and in-cabin tablets which allow drivers to receive their work orders and customer requests electronically, create an optimised route, then navigate to the service area, and complete their tasks on site. The system has been rolled out to reactive services such as dumped rubbish response, the rapid response crew, etc. and is on-track to be completed by end June 2022 with the roll-out being extended to programmed works such as street sweeping, beach cleaning, etc. Once fully integrated, the Ops System working on conjunction with the One Council platform, will enable near real time allocation of a task for action from receipt of a request from a resident.

The 2021 year is the second year in a row where The City of Port Phillip has taken away an award from KVB – Sustainable Cities awards with the communal glass trial also winning in 2020.

Both awards will be presented to Council at an upcoming Council meeting.

**Please note: answers to any questions in Public Question Time and Councillor Question Time which were answered at the meeting are included in the minutes of that meeting.*