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Wellington businesses get record recognition for sustainability success

2017 saw Wellington businesses win big at the NZI Sustainable Business Network Awards.

Wellington-based New Zealand Post took out the Supreme Award: NZI Greatest Contribution to a Sustainable New Zealand. Five other winners hail from Wellington and a record 20 finalists were also locals.

Wellington winners include:

- New Zealand Post (*Winner of NZI Greatest Contribution to a Sustainable New Zealand – supreme award*)
- New Zealand Post and New Zealand Red Cross (*winner of Partnering for Good Award*)
- Wishbone Design Studio (*winner of Going Circular Award*)
- Common Unity Project Aotearoa (*winner of Transforming Food Award*)
- Zealandia (*winner of Restoring Nature Award*)
- WasteMINZ (*winner of Communicating for Change Award for the Love Food Hate Waste campaign, which originated in Wellington*)

In addition there were four Commendations for Wellington businesses:

- Little Yellow Bird (*for Going Circular Award*)
- Foodstuffs (*Efficiency Champion Award*)
- Wishbone Design Studio (*for Supreme Award*)
- Common Unity Project Aoteroa (*for Supreme Award*)

The NZI Sustainable Business Network Awards, which have been running for 15 years, recognise and celebrate success in sustainability. They are the pre-eminent and longest standing sustainable business awards in New Zealand.

Laurie Foon, the Sustainable Business Network's Wellington Coordinator says: "What the Wellington businesses bring to our city and country shows incredible commitment to their vision and tenacity in doing the work to make it happen.

"It is a privilege to work alongside these businesses and I am so proud of them for winning these awards, and being recognised for their commitment and impact. They are inspiring many other businesses to do the same. The overall commitment of the 20 businesses nominated for the finals shows that Wellington has the ability to be the 'Coolest little Sustainable Capital in the World'."

For the full list of winners go to: sustainable.org.nz/awards

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About the Sustainable Business Network

The Sustainable Business Network is New Zealand's largest and longest-standing organisation dedicated to sustainable business. It includes hundreds of businesses that connect through events, resources and projects to help New Zealand become a more sustainable nation.

Our independent network is open to all organisations actively working to improve their sustainability performance.

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