



## Russell Taylor Award For Design Excellence

# AWARD CRITERIA

## 1. Introduction

The Australian Association of Planning Consultants (AAPC) presents an annual award known as the **Russell Taylor Award for Design Excellence**. The award is to be presented each year at the Planning Institute of Australia WA State Planning Conference.

This award is presented in recognition of Russell Taylor's efforts and contributions to the planning profession, particularly in urban/rural design.

The award is to be for design excellence in either urban or rural situations and is to be made on the recommendations by an external Judging Panel. The award will be open to members of PIA and will be made to the planner(s) actually doing the work. Client and corporate bodies are not eligible for this award. The award, therefore, is to be in acknowledgement of planners' design efforts. The project need not be implemented.

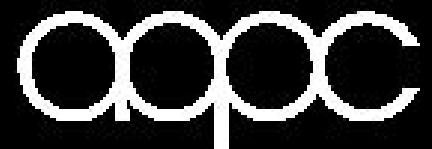




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## 2. Award Categories

- ***Urban Planning Achievement***  
For planning documents, reports, schemes or projects making an outstanding contribution to current urban planning practice.
  
- ***Rural Planning Achievement***  
For planning documents, reports, schemes or projects making an outstanding contribution to current rural planning practice.





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### **3. Awards Nomination Procedures**

The external Judging Panel will look for projects or original pieces of work that demonstrate principles which would be able to be applied across Australia.

Judges are only able to consider full documentation. Sketchy, self promotion is not sufficient. Complete work associated with the project is necessary.

Projects undertaken overseas can be considered for Awards provided, however, they must demonstrate principles that can be applied in Australia.

Once nominated in a particular year, a nomination of a single project or a piece of work can not be renominated in subsequent years unless there has been a significant extension of the earlier submitted work.

All nominated projects are to be judged, even if only a single entry in any one category is received. Awards need not, however, be made.





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### **4. Judging Panel**

The Judging Panel is to consist of persons external to AAPC but who have experience in related areas.

### **5. Judging Guidelines**

The criteria used to assess the merit of nominations are:

- ❑ Demonstration of principles which would be able to be applied nationally;
- ❑ Are original or unique;
- ❑ Have an impact on as wide a section of the community as possible;
- ❑ Are easily read and understood – ‘user friendly’;
- ❑ Demonstrate a high level of appropriate research;
- ❑ Are well documented and attractively presented; and
- ❑ Are associated with a demonstrably realistic implementation programme, including a budget and staging details (where appropriate).





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### **6. Form of Submission**

Successful nominations are those that communicate ideas and concepts, simply and effectively. The use of graphics, colour, careful layout techniques and an appropriate sequence of steps in the development of the work, are to be encouraged.

An 'ordered' presentation is clearly an advantage.

A summary description of two or three pages in addition to supporting documentation is advised to assist the Judging Panel.

Entries will be judged and later presented at the State Planning Conference. The successful entry will be awarded the Russell D. Taylor Award for design excellence. Presentation materials will be returned to the applicants.

