

	<b>COUNCIL POLICY CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARDS</b>	Version No:	6
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## 1. INTRODUCTION

This document sets out the policy of the City of Mount Gambier (“Council”) for granting of the Annual Citizen of the Year Awards for Mount Gambier.

### Scope

This policy applies to employees of Council and Elected Members.

### Purpose

Council supports the granting of the Annual Citizen of the Year Awards for Mount Gambier in accordance with the Australia Day Council of South Australia.

## 2. CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD

This is presented to someone making an extraordinary contribution to the community and may recognise outstanding service over a number of years. To be eligible, the person must be an Australian Citizen 24 years of age or older on 26 January in the year of the award presentation.

## 3. YOUNG CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD

This is presented to a young emerging leader who is making a difference in their community. To be eligible, the person must be an Australian Citizen between 16 and 30 years of age on 26 January in the year of the award presentation.

## 4. SENIOR CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD

This is presented to a person who has made a noteworthy contribution during the current year and/or given outstanding service to the community over a number of years. To be eligible, the person must be 60 years or over of age on 26 January in the year of the award presentation.

## 5. COMMUNITY EVENT OF THE YEAR

This is presented to a person or group who has staged the most outstanding event for their community. To be eligible, the person or group must be Australian Citizens

## 6. AWARD FOR ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP

A person or group delivering outstanding work on an event or project for the community during the past calendar year. The person or group need not be Australian Citizens.

Nominations be invited from the community through the media.

A panel of up to four (4), comprising the Mayor, a nominated elected member and up to two (2) previous citizen of the year recipients undertake the selection of the Awardees.

The Awards be undertaken in conjunction with the Australia Day Council each year.

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Such Awards be made in recognition of outstanding service to the Mount Gambier community.

## 7. REVIEW & EVALUATION

This Policy is scheduled for review by Council in March 2028, however, will be reviewed as required by any legislative changes which may occur.

## 8. AVAILABILITY OF POLICY

This Policy will be available for inspection at Council's principal office during ordinary business hours and on the Council's website [www.mountgambier.sa.gov.au](http://www.mountgambier.sa.gov.au). Copies will also be provided to interested members of the community upon request, and upon payment of a fee in accordance with Council's Schedule of Fees and Charges.

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