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COUNCILLOR SARKIS YEDELIAN, OAM HONOURED FOR LONG SERVICE

The hard work and commitment of Councillor Sarkis Yedelian, OAM was recognised this week when he was presented with a Local Government NSW long-service award by the City of Ryde Mayor, Clr Bill Pickering.

The Local Government NSW Certificate of Appreciation was presented to Clr Yedelian for 13-years of service at the full meeting of Council held on Tuesday 23 May 2017.

"Local councillors are often unsung community heroes, dedicating an enormous amount of time and effort on behalf of their local communities," the Mayor said.

"All this often happens over and above fulltime jobs and family responsibilities.

"One of the most satisfying things I get to do is to acknowledge and thank those individuals who demonstrate this commitment to the community for years – or in Clr Yedelian's case, for well over a decade."

Biography

Clr Sarkis Yedelian is committed to working with the community to create a clean, green and safe city. First elected to Council in March 2004, he is self-employed and has run his IT and communications consulting business since 1985.

Clr Yedelian was elected Deputy Mayor from September 2007 – August 2009.

He actively encourages the integration and interaction of Australians with immigrants and helped the community form the Ryde Multicultural Centre. In 2013/14 he played a key leadership role in Ryde's Community Harmony Reference Group, which advises Council on all multicultural issues and is currently the Chair of that group. He is also Chair of the Planning & Environment Committee and a member of the Finance & Governance Committee, Works & Community Committee and the Ryde Civic Hub Committee.

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