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COMMITTEE ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY PDSP

APSE SCOTLAND STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE AWARDS - FLEET SERVICES.

REPORT BY HEAD OF OPERATIONAL SERVICES

A. PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to advise the Panel of the results of the APSE Scotland Striving for Excellence Awards 2024.

B. RECOMMENDATION

The panel are asked to note that West Lothian Council's Fleet Services team were awarded the Gold award at the APSE Scotland Striving for Excellence Awards.

C. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

I	Council Values	Caring and compassionate; open, honest and accountable; and collaborate, inclusive and adaptive.
II	Policy and Legal (including Strategic Environmental Assessment, Equality Issues, Health or Risk Assessment)	None
III	Implications for Scheme of Delegations to Officers	None
IV	Impact on performance and performance indicators	The service has been redesigned in order to improve the performance and efficiency of its operation which will improve performance in the future.
V	Relevance to Single Outcome Agreement	None
VI	Resources - (Financial, Staffing and Property)	Achieved within existing resources
VII	Consideration at PDSP	None
VIII	Other consultations	None

D. TERMS OF REPORT

The APSE Scotland Fleet, Waste and Grounds Seminar is the largest public sector fleet, waste and ground services trade exhibition in Scotland. It also includes the annual Striving for Excellence awards ceremony.

Applications are invited from councils across Scotland and the final judging takes place during the seminar.

West Lothian Council's Fleet Services was awarded the silver award in the run up to the seminar.

Silver award winners were invited to present their submission to a judging panel during the seminar.

The winners of the gold award, for each category, were announced during the awards ceremony.

West Lothian Council Fleet Services were awarded the gold award.

The awards submission and presentation considered how West Lothian Council Fleet Services had undertaken a full-service redesign in order to improve the performance and efficiency of its operation, reduce costs, improve service delivery and raise staff morale within the team. The "journey" has taken the team from struggling to meet the needs of the organisation to having a fully resourced, highly motivated, diverse and multi-skilled team which has the ability to perform at the highest level within the sector.

E. CONCLUSION

The outcome of the work undertaken West Lothian Council's Fleet Service to review its service was considered by APSE Scotland Striving for Excellence judges as best in class and they were awarded the Gold award.

F. BACKGROUND REFERENCES

Council Executive Report – APSE Scotland Fleet, Waste and Grounds Seminar
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Appendices/Attachments: none

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