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Cr Keith Rhoades AFSM

Friday 16 June 2017



Country Mayors Meeting

Earlier today I addressed the Country Mayors Meeting at Parliament House, specifically on the impacts of the federal budget on country councils and the people they serve. Communities in rural areas face unique challenges: the tyranny of distance, smaller populations, infrastructure needs, vulnerability to natural disasters, and the challenges delivering key services effectively. We had good feedback about the updates we issued during the Budget announcement. We plan to do the same sort of thing for the NSW budget next week.

Street light transition fund

This week LGNSW called on the NSW Government to contribute \$50 million to help councils make the transition to less expensive, energy efficient LED street lighting. This switch to smarter, safer technology could deliver energy savings of up to 70 per cent on current road lighting, lower failure rates, and a lower overall cost.

While councils are legally responsible for street lighting, generally the lights are owned by Ausgrid, Endeavour Energy and Essential Energy. We need to minimise costs to ratepayers while also improving lighting quality and safety. Under the current regulatory framework, councils can be hit for the full costs of upgrades. We'll watch with interest as the Treasurer delivers the Budget next Tuesday 20 June. See our [media release](#) and stay tuned.

Census data seminars

The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) is presenting free seminars across NSW during July and August. Presenters will discuss key data from the 2016 Census, data specific to each seminar location and the uses of Census data. For full details see the [ABS website](#).

Significant Meetings

This week, Chief Executive Donna Rygate visited Dubbo Regional Council, and met with Glenn King, Deputy Secretary of the Department of Premier and Cabinet on Wednesday to progress the local government performance indicators, reporting and improvement project. On Thursday Donna and senior staff had their regular catch up with the Office of Local Government. Donna also met with the Premier's key advisor on local government to discuss issues including reform, the capability framework, the performance indicators project, housing affordability, emergency services funding and the impending budget.

Today, the Fire and Emergency Services Levy (FESL) working group met to discuss legislation to reinstate the previous Emergency Services Levy collection arrangements. LGNSW emphasised that councils must not be left out of pocket for any work necessary to unwind the FESL arrangements. It is more important than ever to advocate for transparency of emergency services funding now that the FESL has been postponed.

Upcoming Events

The LGNSW Good Governance Forum is only two weeks away (28-29 June). Focusing on strengthening governance practices, this event will include case studies, updates on the implementation of Local Government Act 1993 amendments, and topics such as roles, responsibilities, ethics, finance, technology, audit and community engagement. Seats are limited. [Register now](#).

It's also time to book your seat (or table) at the [Local Government Week Awards](#) evening on Thursday 3 August at Doltone House, Pyrmont. [Register here](#).

National General Assembly of Local Government

Next week it's Canberra for the National General Assembly, preceded this weekend by the ALGA Board meeting.

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The annual LGNSW Water Management Conference presents local government with a broad range of information on water policy, water management and issues associated with water supply and sewerage services provided by council-owned and operated local water utilities.

In 2017 the program will focus on key issues including:

- The NSW Government's urban water policy priorities
- Security and quality of urban water supplies
- Moving towards customer-centred economic regulation
- Drinking water quality management
- Delivering challenging infrastructure
- Intelligent water networks and smart water meters

The conference attracts delegates from NSW councils and interstate including councillors and general managers, water managers, engineers, technical managers, policy makers from government agencies and key industry stakeholders. This is a must-attend conference for council water officers and councillors to meet and listen to experts and peers and find out how other councils are engaging and managing their industry.

Book your tickets now to benefit from the early-bird discount, available until 14 July 2017. Registrations close COB Monday 21 August.

The 2017 conference is made possible by the support of sponsors: Department of Primary Industries, Water Directorate and Wastelink; and the following exhibitors.

[Download the registration brochure.](#)

Dates and location

Monday 4 – Wednesday 6 September 2017

Dubbo RSL Memorial Club
Corner Brisbane & Wingewarra streets
Dubbo

Online Information

[LGNSW Water Management Conference 2017](#)

Registration

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Ref: R16/0015 TA

General Interest

Item 4: Local Government Week Awards Evening Registration - Now Open

Get in early and book your table for LGNSW's annual Local Government Week awards evening, celebrating exceptional projects in communication, arts and culture, health, and youth week activities.

This year's awards will be held on Thursday 3 August at Doltone House, Sydney.

This is a significant event in the local government calendar. Join the Minister for Local Government, colleagues, and other special guests to celebrate.

LGNSW awards to be presented include the:

- RH Dougherty Awards
- Leo Kelly OAM Arts and Culture Award
- NSW Disability Inclusion Award.

Other awards to be presented are the:

- Heart Foundation Local Government Awards
- Youth Week Local Government Awards.

Tickets are now available (\$143 each or \$1330 for a table of 10). RSVP by Monday 24 July 2017. Seats are limited.

For more information about accommodation, dress code, and transport, visit [LGNSW's website](#).

LGNSW thanks Elite Sponsor, GDR Group, for its support.

Location

Thursday 3 August 2017
6.30pm – 10.00pm
Doltone House, Jones Bay Wharf,
South Pier, Pyrmont

Online information

[Local Government Week Awards Evening](#)

[Registration](#)

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Ref: R16/ 0027 TA

General Interest

Item 5: LGNSW Good Governance Forum – Limited Places

Limited places remain for the Good Governance in Action Forum (28-29 June) on the ‘Who, What and How’ of strengthening governance practices.

Designed for councillors, mayors, senior managers and key stakeholders, the forum will consider: the respective roles and responsibilities of both managers and elected members; key aspects of governance that may need to be reviewed; and how to achieve the best results.

Speakers include:

- John McMillan AO, NSW Ombudsman
- Margaret Crawford, NSW Auditor-General
- Iain Walker, newDemocracy Foundation
- Isabella Wallington, FutureGov
- Susan Bedyka, Municipal Association of Victoria
- Graham Sansom, University of Technology Sydney.

The forum will cover:

- Critical issues and lessons from interstate and overseas
- Case studies of successful efforts to improve governance quality
- Implications of the digital revolution and how technologies can advance good governance
- Implementation of last year’s *Local Government Act 1993* amendments
- Specific areas of change and improvement including: roles, responsibilities and ethics; financial management; audit; and community engagement
- Action planning for organisations and Local Government NSW.

See LGNSW’s website for [more information and to register](#).

Dates and Location

28-29 June 2017
Amora Hotel Jamison Sydney
11 Jamison Street, Sydney

Further information and registrations

[LGNSW Good Governance Forum](#)

Cost

LGNSW Members: \$990
Non-members: \$1,980

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Ref: I98/0012 SA

General Interest

Item 6: 2016 LGNSW Annual Conference - Action Report

An updated action report of 2016 LGNSW conference resolutions (including advocacy actions and outcomes) is now available on LGNSW's website.

The report provides details of how LGNSW is advocating on conference resolutions, responses and outcomes. It will be updated periodically to include further actions and responses.

LGNSW encourages members, in particular councils that submitted motions to last year's annual conference, to [view the report](#).

Online information

Action Report available on [2016 LGNSW Annual Conference page](#)

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Community

Item 7: 2017 NSW Grandparents Day Events – Grants Available

Family and Community Services invites councils to apply for grants to host grandparents day events.

NSW Grandparents Day is on Sunday 29 October 2017 but funded events can be held between Sunday 15 October and Sunday 12 November 2017.

There are three community event funding categories:

Category 1

Up to \$1,000 for community organisations and schools to host small-scale local community events or activities.

Category 2

\$1,001 – \$5,000 for larger community organisations to host local community events.

Category 3

\$5,001 – \$10,000 for large-scale community events targeted at local councils in partnership with organisations and groups. Category 3 is available to local government organisations only.

A total of \$200,000 is available. Applications close Friday 5pm 14 July 2017.

Dates and location

Events held 15 Oct – 12 Nov 2017 throughout NSW

Online information

[Grant Guidelines](#)

Contact

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Ref: R96/0126 CM

Community

Item 8: Evaluation of Community Impact Statements for Liquor Licences

LGNSW encourages councils to comment on the evaluation of Community Impact Statement requirements for liquor licence applications.

Liquor & Gaming NSW is accepting submissions up to 26 July.

Liquor licence applicants are required to complete a Community Impact Statement (CIS) when applying for certain types of licences and authorisations (under the *Liquor Act 2007*). The Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority Board and delegated officers use the CIS to consider stakeholder feedback on proposed applications.

The evaluation will examine and consider:

- Whether the current process effectively captures local community concerns and feedback, and suggest improvements
- How effectively the CIS process facilitates the provision of feedback and information, from local residents and other community stakeholders, to support decision making by ILGA and delegated officers
- How and if relevant stakeholders are consulted by liquor licence applicants under the CIS process, and suggest improvements to increase transparency
- Existing time and cost impacts on industry to comply with the CIS requirement, and suggest improvements to cut red tape and minimise the potential for delays in the licence approval process
- Ways to minimise duplication in CIS and consultation-related processes across local and state government authorities including information technology enhancements and business process changes
- The appropriateness of maintaining separate CIS categories (A and B) which relate to different levels of risk
- If certain liquor application types should continue to be excluded from CIS-type requirements, and whether any types that are not currently excluded from the requirement should be.

LGNSW welcomes any feedback and copies of submissions from councils (by 12 July) to incorporate into representations and submission.

Dates

Submissions close 26 July 2017

Input to LGNSW submission by 12 July

Online information

[Liquor and Gaming NSW](#)

Contact

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Ref: R90/1021-03 LG

Community

Item 9: Country vs City Rugby League

Mid-Western Regional Council is seeking support from other regional councils to reinstate the Country vs City Rugby League match.

Mid-Western Regional Council recently hosted the final Country vs City Rugby League match on 7 May.

The televised match saw City defeat Country 20-10 before an estimated crowd of 8,344 at Mudgee's Glen Willow Regional Sports Stadium.

More than 50 per cent of spectators were visitors to the region, bringing with them an estimated \$2.1 million to the local economy.

Following the huge success of the game, Mid-Western regional councillors voted unanimously in favour of a Notice of Motion that Council seek support from other regional councils and Country Rugby League to lobby the National Rugby League to reinstate its support for the franchise.

Regional councils interested in supporting the issue are encouraged to send a letter of support to Mid-Western Regional Council's corporate communications officer [Elle Watson](#).

Mid-Western Regional Council will forward submissions to the Country Rugby League and the National Rugby League.

Contact

Elle Watson

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Ref: R90/1178 MK

Environment

Item 10: Draft Environmentally Hazardous Chemicals Regulation – Open for Comment

The NSW Environment Protection Authority is seeking comment on the draft Environmentally Hazardous Chemicals Regulation 2017.

The existing Environmentally Hazardous Chemicals Regulation 2008 is scheduled for automatic repeal on 1 September 2017.

As the regulation contains administrative provisions relating to the operation of the *Environmentally Hazardous Chemicals Act 1985* (EHC Act), the EPA is seeking to replace the existing regulation with the proposed Environmentally Hazardous Chemicals Regulation 2017.

The only changes proposed in the new regulation are:

- Increases in licensing and technology assessment fees to reflect changes in wages since 2012.
- The introduction of an application fee for technology assessments – this fee covers the cost of the EPA making an initial, efficient assessment of a proposed treatment technology. It may potentially save applicants from paying the full technology assessment fee if their proposal is found not to be viable at the application stage.

The proposed new regulation will not alter the operation of the EHC Act.

Dates and location

Submissions close 7 July 2017

Online information

[EHC Reg 2017](#)

Contact

Manager Chemicals Reform

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Ref: R90/1248 SC

Environment

Item 11: Draft Pesticides Regulation – Open for Comment

The NSW Environment Protection Agency is seeking comments on the draft Pesticide Regulation 2017 and Regulatory Impact Statement.

The current regulation is due for repeal on 1 September 2017. The proposed regulation sees a majority of the provisions remaining the same, however a few key changes are proposed:

- Streamlining of record keeping requirements for non-licensed pesticide users
- Alternatives for retraining for agricultural users
- New licences categories
- Updated licence fees
- Including universities in definition of public authorities required to have a pesticide use notification plan
- Updated penalty amounts.

The regulation is likely to be of interest (mainly) to the parks and gardens, noxious weeds and possibly the engineering functional areas of local government.

Most provisions affecting councils will remain the same, but the proposed licensing changes would require ground spraying licences to be held by staff and contractors doing weed control work from vehicles or when using higher risk chemicals (but without the requirement for five yearly refresher training).

Record keeping for non-licensed council staff using pesticides would be simplified and the requirements for council notices, of new pesticide notification plans to be published in newspapers, would become optional.

To contribute to LGNSW's sector-wide response please forward any comments or copies of your council's draft submission to [Susy Cenedese](#), Strategy Manager Environment by 30 June 2017.

Dates and location

Submissions close 7 July 2017

Online information

[Pesticides Regulation 2017](#)

Contact

Manager Chemicals Reform

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Ref: R90/1248 SC

Environment

Item 12: Exemption from Mutual Recognition Laws for Container Deposit Scheme

The NSW Environment Protection Authority is seeking an exemption from the Commonwealth mutual recognition laws for the NSW Container Deposit Scheme.

The NSW Government will launch the NSW Container Deposit Scheme (CDS) for eligible containers on 1 December 2017. The NSW CDS laws include requirements on the sale of beverages in NSW. These requirements will not apply in states and territories that do not have container deposit schemes.

The Commonwealth mutual recognition laws allow goods sold in one jurisdiction to be sold in another jurisdiction without the need to meet further requirements. Consequently, the NSW CDS laws may be inconsistent with the Commonwealth mutual recognition laws. To remove this inconsistency, the NSW Government seeks to obtain permanent exemptions of the NSW CDS laws from the Commonwealth mutual recognition laws.

A Consultation Regulation Impact Statement (Consultation RIS) to support the proposed permanent exemptions is now on public exhibition and open for submissions (until 21 June 2017).

Dates and location

Submissions close 21 June 2017

Online information

Public exhibition: [Consultation RIS](#)

Contact

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Ref: R90/0994 LD

Industrial Relations

Item 13: NAIDOC Week 2-9 July 2017

The Local Government (State) Award provides employees who are Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders with an entitlement to a single day's holiday so they can participate in National Aboriginal and Islander Day celebrations.

NAIDOC week 2017 will be held during the period of 2 to 9 July 2017 inclusive.

Clause 20A(ii) of the Local Government (State) Award provides employees who are Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders with an entitlement to one day during NAIDOC week to participate in National Aboriginal and Islander Day celebrations.

An eligible employee is required to provide at least seven days' notice of their intention to take the single day during NAIDOC week, and such leave shall not be unreasonably refused.

Councils are encouraged to remind employees of the entitlement and to establish procedures for application and approval of the taking of the holiday appropriate to each council's circumstances.

Online information

[Information on NAIDOC week](#)

Contact

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Ref: I90/0110: RN

Roads and Transport

Item 14: Federal Government Black Spot Program

The Federal Government has allocated \$19.2 million for 52 projects in 27 NSW local government areas under its 2017/18 Black Spot Program.

LGNSW is represented on the NSW Black Spot Assessment panel, which also includes representatives from the NRMA, NSW Federation of P&C Associations, the Institute of Public Works Engineering Australia, NSW Police, and federal and state governments.

For a full list of the Black Spot projects in NSW, more information on the Australian Government's Black Spot Program, or to nominate a black spot for a future funding round, visit the [program website](#).

Black Spot Program website

[Finding Black Spots Web Page](#)

**Successful NSW Black Spot
Funding Recipients**

[Minister's Media Release](#)

Ref: R90/0421 RC

Learning

Item 15: Local Government Customer Service Excellence Workshop

LGNSW invites registrations to a one-day workshop on delivering outstanding customer service in local government (Sydney, 29 June).

The workshop includes group discussions and council case studies aimed to support participants build practical skills and knowledge.

Topics covered in the workshop include:

- Who are our customers?
- How to ensure a professional approach to customer care
- Listening skills
- Effective telephone techniques
- Questioning skills
- Using appropriate assertiveness techniques
- Dealing with complaints and difficult and/or aggressive customers
- A seven-step plan for dealing with difficult situations
- What is 'value added' service
- How to delight your customer

Register now to take advantage of LGNSW's end-of-financial-year deal by saving 50 per cent on new registrations for courses in June.

Contact [LGNSW Learning Solutions](mailto:learning@lgnsw.org.au) to discuss running a course in-house or with other organisations in your area.

Date and location

Thursday 29 June 2017 Sydney

Online information and registration

[LGNSW website](http://www.lgnsw.org.au)

Cost

LGNSW Members: \$330 incl. GST
(for June 2107)

Non-members: \$1,320 incl. GST

Contact

Learning Solutions

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Ref: I98/0012 SA

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LGNSW is offering a 50 per cent discount for members on new registrations for selected courses in June 2017.

The discount is applicable to the following workshops:

Finance for Non-Finance Managers

Sydney – Tuesday 20 June 2017

Learn to understand, interpret and explain financial issues related to your department or section. [More information.](#)

Political Awareness

Sydney – Thursday 22 June 2017

Learn how to develop effective working relationships with elected representatives when formulating strategy and developing sustainable services for the community. [More information.](#)

Improving Your Grammar and Punctuation

Sydney – Tuesday 27 June 2017

Increase the professionalism of your writing by applying the rules of grammar and punctuation. Learn to identify errors, use punctuation marks effectively, construct phrases, sentences and paragraphs, and give impact to your statements. [More information.](#)

Customer Service Excellence

Sydney – Thursday 29 June 2017

Deliver outstanding customer service by developing effective listening and questioning skills, professional telephone techniques, strategies to deal with difficult situations and knowledge of adding value to the customer experience. [More information.](#)

Planning Matters (for Councillors)

Sydney – Friday 30 June 2017

Understand the role of elected members in the planning process and be informed of the latest information on planning reform and land management and biodiversity reform. [More information.](#)

Online information

[LGNSW Training](#)

[LGNSW Learning Calendar \(January-June 2017\)](#)

Cost

LGNSW Members \$330 incl. GST (for June 2017)
Non-members:\$1320 incl. GST

Registrations

[Learning Solutions registrations](#)

Contact

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Ref: I98/0012 SA

Procurement

Item 17: Procurement eLearning Webinar – Last Chance to Register

Time is running out to register for the free Local Government Procurement eLearning webinar next Tuesday (20 June).

ProcureLearn offers a 'right now' approach to training with bite-sized modules which are accessible from computer or laptop. The program is specifically designed for NSW council employees who are engaged in any aspect of purchasing.

The program aims to:

- Develop and enhance the standard of procurement across a region or council
- Provide a technically proficient progress path for procurement professionals
- Teach best practice procurement through the latest training
- Provide technical understanding of probity and policy legislation
- Offer a cost-effective training solution for a region or council.

Benefits include:

- Training that provides insights into skill gaps with the opportunity to target development
- Pre-and post-learning assessments to ensure knowledge transfer
- Completion tracking that can be measured and reported
- Access to refresher modules upon module completion
- Access to FAQ and an ask-the-expert forum.

ProcureLearn eLearning modules include:

- Procurement essentials
- Contract management essentials
- Probity in purchasing and procurement

Included with the three-package course, receive access to specialised procurement topics:

- Risk management
- Supplier evaluation
- Sustainable procurement

[Register online](#)

For further information view the [LGP website](#) or contact, [LGP Training](#) or 02 8270 8709.

Local Government Procurement (LGP) offer a range of training from [eLearning](#), [one day procurement courses](#) to [procurement qualifications](#).

Date and Time

Tuesday 20 June 2017
10:30am – 11:30am

Online information

[LGP Training website](#)

Registrations

[LGP Training Calendar](#)

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training@lgp.org.au

Ref: R05/0057 MB

Procurement

Item 18: Local Government Procurement Training – Upcoming Courses

Local Government Procurement offers training to reduce risk and enhance the skills of council staff involved in procurement.

Procurement for Local Government Sydney CBD – Tuesday 1 August 2017

Providing a comprehensive overview of the purchasing function within the NSW local government sector, learn the end-to-end procurement life-cycle and practical ways to apply principles within council. [More information and to register.](#)

Planning and Specifications Sydney CBD – Monday 11 September 2017

Designed on the key principles that need to be observed when writing a best practice procurement plan and specifications development, council staff will be able to construct a basic plan to develop requirements, ensuring that contract arrangements are effective and practical. [More information and to register.](#)

Evaluation, Supplier Selection and Contract Establishment Sydney CBD – Monday 9 October 2017

This one day course supports supplier selection and evaluation techniques aligned to probity and value for money. Learn key tips on setting up evaluation criteria for the quotation and tender stage to ensure the right supplier is selected. Designed for staff either currently involved in quotation/tender evaluations or about to do so, participants will come away with practical skills applicable in the local government context. [More information and to register.](#)

Contract Management Essentials Sydney CBD – Monday 6 November 2017

Understand the key principles of managing contracts in the local government sector, and learn essential information on the contract management life-cycle including foundation insights to procurement principles. [More information and to register.](#)

All Local Government Procurement (LGP) training can be conducted in-house at a location of your choice. For further information; view the [LGP Training Calendar](#) or contact, [LGP Training](#) or 02 8270 8709.

Online information
[LGP Training website](#)

Registrations
[LGP Training Calendar](#)

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[LGP Training](#)

Ref: R05/0057

Procurement

Item 19: Procurement Qualifications

Local Government Procurement is offering accredited procurement courses for staff involved in purchasing, tendering and contract management functions.

Advanced Diploma of Procurement and Contracting

Sydney CBD – Commencing in July

Think strategically, develop a comprehensive understanding of strategic procurement and contract management, including legislative requirements, governance and internal controls.

2017 dates (participants must attend all four blocks):

Block 1: 19-21 July 2017

Block 2: 28-30 August 2017

Block 3: 12-14 September 2017

Block 4: 10-12 October 2017

[More information and to register.](#)

Certificate IV in Procurement and Contracting

Sydney CBD – Commencing in August

This practical course program covers the nuts and bolts of the tendering process. Identifying and understanding the need for gaining approvals, developing procurement plans, related legislation and key documents such as specification requirements, the Request for Tender and the Tender Evaluation Plan.

2017 dates (participants must attend all four blocks):

Block 1: 8-10 August 2017

Block 2: 23-25 August 2017

Block 3: 18-19 September 2017

Block 4: 16-18 October 2017

[More information and to register.](#)

Diploma of Procurement and Contracting

Sydney CBD – Commencing in September

This program is suitable for staff who have completed Certificate IV or have prior learning. Develop skills to conduct significant procurement. Understand the value of implementing policy, managing contract performance and monitor compliance within legislation. Coordinate risk management activities and manage contract risk

2017 dates (participants must attend all four blocks):

Block 1: 5-7 September 2017

Block 2: 20-21 September 2017

Block 3: 25-27 October 2017

Block 4: 7-9 November 2017

[More information and to register.](#)

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