

Key LGAT Activity and Outcomes – April 2011

Policy Activity

- Commenced Statewide Community Satisfaction Survey
- Input into national work on disaster insurance.
- Division 81 feedback (with assistance from Launceston City Council).
- eDA small data grants funding round.
- Draft Local Government Asset Management Policy produced
- Commenced development of Long Term Financial Planning framework
- Factsheet produced for Local Government Financial and Asset Reform Project
- Newsletter for council contacts and General Managers on LG Financial and Asset Reform Project
- Trails and Bikeways Advisory Committee – Funding assessments.

Training and Development

- Valuation and Rating Workshops
- Release of Council Workforce Planning Survey – aiming to create a council workforce database. Relying on full participation.
- Built a new website tool to enable non 'unity' councils to place job vacancies on www.thinkbigworklocal.com.au more conveniently, and to enabling report compatible data to the LGAT council workforce database.

Consultation/Submissions

- Submissions to Senate on Product Stewardship Bill, and Product Stewardship Consultation Paper

Meetings and Communication

- LGAT General Meeting
- Meeting of the Metropolitan Councils Group
- Premiers Local Government Council
- General Management Committee
- ALGA Board Subcommittee on Constitutional Recognition
- Meeting with DIER re development of Tasmanian Freight Strategy and Transport Policy
- Climate Change Partnership Committee
- Land Hazard Planning Steering Committee
- Sustainability Objectives and Indicators Steering Committee
- LGMA Southern Branch Meeting
- Nomenclature Board
- Meeting with Nick McKim (CEO and President).
- STCA/Presentation by Graham Sansom
- Long Term Financial Planning Working Group session
- Antidiscrimination Commissioner
- WomenCan Steering Committee
- Workcover Workshop
- Regional Councils Climate Change Workshops

- Valuation and Local Government Rating Steering Committee
- Regional Workshops for officers and elected members on rating tools – LGA Amendment Bill
- Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs Preparedness Prevention and Early Intervention Framework Reference Group
- Australian Institute of Company Directors re training for elected members.
- National Local Government HR Conference Steering Committee
- Electricity Industry Review Panel Forum
- Household Hazardous Waste Steering Committee
- National Waste Policy Strategy Construction, Commercial and Government Working Group
- Road Route Codes Advisory Group Meeting
- ALGA Climate Change Network teleconference
- Tasmanian Planning Commission re proposed amnesty.
- Issued the March edition of *Community Development News*
- Distributed two editions of the LGAT Newsletter
- Environmental Awards for Excellence Judging of Local Government Award

Media

- Microchipping of Dogs
- Asbestos removal and disposal
- Rating Tools Legislation
- Rating and Valuation Review
- Water and sewerage pricing
- Local Government amalgamations

Key Outputs

- An analysis of hits on the www.thinkbigworklocal.com.au site over the last 12 months shows TV advertising sends roughly double the amount of new and existing viewers to the site.
- Code of Conduct Workshop - for Chairs of the Code of Conduct Panels and Standards Panel Members.
- Regional Workshops for councils on changes to legislation re rating tools