

## Key LGAT Activity– January 2012

### Policy/Project Activity

- Increased Standards Panel activity and advice on regulations.
- Model Code of Conduct drafted and with Integrity Commission and Local Government Division for comment. Guide to making a complaint, complaint form developed and provided to councils. Audit of Code of Conduct and Standards Panel complaints underway.
- Feedback on draft Healthy Communities Toolkit.
- Commenced distribution of maturity assessment reports to first nine participating councils as part of the Local Government Financial and Asset Management Project. Finalised contracts with IPWEA, regional coordinator MOUs and revised timeline.
- Feedback to ALGA on National Preventative Health Research Strategy.
- Environmental Dispute Mediation Service Trial ready for launch 1 February 2012.
- Feedback in relation to the Climate Action Council Review

### Training and Workforce Development

- Have commissioned production of a portable careers booth and banner. It is anticipated this will be ready for the University Careers Fair in early March.
- Completed draft local government learning resources.
- Continued to show the Think Big Work Local TV commercial.
- Succeeded in getting Skills Tasmania to preserve the eligibility of national Local Government qualifications for Tasmanian Government funding for a further 12 months.
- Processing registrations for the Elected Member Weekend Workshop (25-26 February).

### Meetings and Communication

- Integrity Commission re Code of Conduct.
- Regional Coordinators Meeting - Local Government Financial and Asset Management Project.
- School Viability Reference Group.
- CSIRO re Coastal Management.
- Derwent Estuary Program re Soil and Water Management Plans.
- Local Government Division re Caravan Parks.
- Break O Day and Clarence Councils re coastal planning activity.
- Training Consortium re training and development opportunities for councils.
- Royal Surf Life Saving re Pool Fencing.
- Heritage Tasmania re proposed legislative changes/consultation process.
- CT Management re asset management and renewal gap.

- Local Government Division re PLGC work plan for 2012.
- Natural Hazards and Land Use Planning Steering Committee.
- Land Use Planning and Building Codes Consultation.
- TCCI re Local Government Reform.
- Associations teleconference on Award Modernisation and National Workforce Strategy.
- Resource Recovery re Household Hazardous Waste Project.
- MAV Insurance.
- DIER re speed limits around childcare centres.
- Interagency Working Group on Drugs.
- Alcohol Advisory Group.
- EPA re Environmental Dispute Mediation Service Trial.
- Regional Councils Climate Adaptation Project Steering Committee Meeting.
- Tasmanian Planning Commission re coastal management.
- Glenorchy Council Mayor and General Manager.

#### **Media**

- Environmental Dispute Mediation.
- Schools viability.
- Local Government Reform – TCCI project.
- Water and sewerage – proposal for single corporation.
- Planning – HCC approval of Lenah Valley subdivision.