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Free Pre-election Information Seminars

The Local Government Association of Tasmania (LGAT), in conjunction with the Local Government Division and the Tasmanian Electoral Commission, will be running a series of free information seminars for people who are interested in standing at the Local Government elections in October 2011. The information sessions provide a valuable opportunity for potential candidates to receive information about community expectations and the roles and responsibilities of becoming an elected member.

The seminars will be held on the following dates:

Monday, 6 June

5.30pm - 7.30pm

Burnie Arts and Function Centre, Wilmot Street, **Burnie**

Tuesday, 7 June

5.30pm - 7.30pm

Riverside Meeting Room, Eden Street, **Riverside**

Wednesday, 8 June

5.30pm - 7.30pm

Beachfront Motel, **Bicheno**

Thursday, 9 June

5.30pm - 7.30pm

Mercure Hotel, 156 Bathurst Street, **Hobart**

Association President Barry Easter said participants will have the opportunity to ask about the election process and to raise any issues of concern. "The workshops are being held well in advance of the elections to ensure that individuals have ample time to consider the personal impact and time commitment involved, to attend local council meetings and to approach current councillors for advice," Mayor Easter said.

To reserve a seat, please contact the Local Government Association of Tasmania on 6233 5966 or email reception@lgat.tas.gov.au.

Further information about Local Government elections is available at the Tasmanian Electoral Commission website at www.tec.tas.gov.au.

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For media enquiries, contact LGAT President Barry Easter on 0408 334 936.