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Local Government Conference 2015

Friday 14th August 2015 | Adelaide Oval

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Session Time	Stream A Environment and Planning	Stream B Commercial and Property	Stream C Governance and Regulatory Services
8.30 – 9.00am	REGISTRATION		
9.00 – 9.50am	<p>Planning & Enforcement Case Law Update</p> <p>Have you been too busy to keep up to date with what the Courts have determined recently? This is a double session not to be missed.</p> <p>Hear about this year's most important and informative decisions of the Courts concerning planning merit appeals, applications for review, compliance, prosecutions and civil enforcement.</p> <p>Gavin Leydon, Claire Ryan and Jacqui Plant will guide you through what the Courts have been deciding and what these decisions mean for you and your Council.</p>	<p>Joint-Use Agreements</p> <p>Economic sustainability continues to drive the consolidation of community and sporting facilities. Sharing is caring! Sharing also increases risk and creates a need for greater definition and certainty about respective rights and responsibilities between joint-users. Join Lisa Hubbard, Janine Carroll and Emma Herriman for an insightful look into the emerging area of joint-use agreements, and issues in relation to joint provision of community infrastructure.</p>	<p>Decision Making Under the Spotlight!</p> <p>Decision making by senior management has always been difficult in the public sector. The overlay of the requirements of the <i>Independent Commissioner Against Corruption Act 2012</i> has also increased the level of complexity and reporting considerations for managers. Every decision made in the public sector is under ever increasing scrutiny by not only the Courts but also external agencies and the public through the FOI process. This session will consider the key issues for managers to consider when making decisions from a governance perspective.</p> <p>The presenters for this session are listed below.</p>
9.50 – 10.05am	MORNING TEA BREAK		
10.10 – 11.00am	<p>Planning & Enforcement Case Law Update (cont)</p>	<p>Retail and Commercial Leases Act Update</p> <p>Twenty years have now passed since the Act commenced yet there continues to be uncertainty in relation to aspects of the Act's application and certain rights and obligations. So, where from here? Leasing experts Mike Ryan and Janine Carroll review the Act, likely future amendments and leasing issues of relevance for local government.</p>	<p>Decision Making Under the Spotlight! (cont)</p> <p>Continuing on from the fact scenario in the first session, the focus of this session is to provide a mind map for senior managers to work through the concepts of reasonableness, bias, conflict of interest, maladministration, employee management and if needed council management.</p> <p>This mind mapping process sets out the basis of how defensible decision making can be undertaken. The case study will address each of these elements which will be broken down into a check list identified for participants.</p> <p>The expert panel will include Felice D'Agostino, Paul Kelly, Amanda Green and Dale Mazzachi. (Sathish Dasan will facilitate the session).</p>

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11.00 – 11.15am	SESSION CHANGE BREAK		
11.20 – 12.10pm	<p>Planning Reform</p> <p><i>"I want to scrap the Development Act and start from the ground up"</i> says Deputy Premier John Rau.</p> <p>But will he give us the planning system we want? And what will it mean for local government?</p> <p>Peter Psaltis and Joanna Clare provide an essential analysis of the government's reform agenda and the highly anticipated planning reform Bill.</p>	<p>Considering Unsolicited Proposals: Okay or not?</p> <p>More often councils are being approached by private parties seeking exclusive dealings. Since the Supreme Court of South Australia's review of the 'Gilman land sale' there has been significant concern about the propriety of engaging on this basis. Mark Henderson and Lisa Hubbard discuss the new guidelines released by the State Government for dealing with unsolicited proposals and workshop a best practice approach for local government to manage unsolicited proposals for the purchase and development of land from a probity, procurement and property perspective.</p>	<p>Managing the Investigation – the tool kit</p> <p>Norman Waterhouse's Sathish Dasan and Korda Mentha's Robert Cockerell co-present this exciting session which will give you insight in words and expressions like you have never imagined! We will look at body language, and assist you with identifying the non-traditional indicators of lying, deceit and everything in between.</p> <p>The session will outline the processes, various investigation techniques and investigation management strategies that each of the presenters practice on a day- to-day basis on their respective quests for truth.</p> <p>The Case Study from the earlier sessions will be referred to in order to promote awareness of the concepts and to demonstrate the practical application which will put you in the driving seat!</p>
12.20 – 1.20pm	LUNCH		
1.30 – 2.30pm	<p>Local Government's Role in Driving South Australia's Economic Transformation</p> <p>Local Government develops local communities – acting regionally to develop community amenity. A concerted statewide approach to the development of outcomes in the Local Government sector will have a profound influence on South Australia's economy and it all starts with your Council. In this panel session facilitated by Sean Keenihan, you will hear from new LGA President Mayor Dave Burgess on the emerging broad-based recognition of local government as a key economic development driver. You will also hear success stories from John Harry, Chief Executive Officer City of Salisbury, Peter Peppin, Chief Executive Officer, City of Whyalla, and Paul Sutton, Acting Chief Executive Officer, City of Charles Sturt. You will also have an opportunity to ask our panel members about the factors that assisted them to deliver outstanding outcomes for their communities.</p>		
2.30 – 2.45pm	AFTERNOON TEA BREAK		
2.45 – 4.15pm	<p>Q&A – Local Government Style</p> <p>Move aside Tony Jones! Join facilitator Mark Withers as he guides a distinguished panel through <u>your</u> questions on the burning issues facing local government today – planning reform, regionalisation, council mergers & de-mergers, inter-governmental relations, economic development, integrity, probity and everything in between.</p> <p>Submit your questions now to avoid disappointment!</p> <p>Panel members</p> <p>Hon Dr Susan Close MP, Minister for Education & Child Development, Minister for the Public Sector</p> <p>The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor of Adelaide Martin Haese</p> <p>Andrew Aitken, Chief Executive Officer Adelaide Hills Council and President of LG Professionals (SA)</p> <p>Stephen Hains, Acting Chief Executive Officer, The Corporation of the City of Adelaide</p> <p>Sean Keenihan, Chairman of Partners, President Australia China Business Council SA Branch, Chairman SA Tourism Board</p> <p>Facilitator</p> <p>Mark Withers, Chief Executive Officer of the City of Port Adelaide Enfield</p>		
4.15 – 6.00pm	COCKTAIL PARTY		

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Package Options

Full day registration	\$ 395 ex GST
Half day registration	\$ 245 ex GST
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Retainer clients and Council Solutions members 20% discount half day	\$ 196 ex GST

For half day registrations: Morning session includes lunch. Afternoon session includes cocktail party.

Location

Adelaide Oval

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