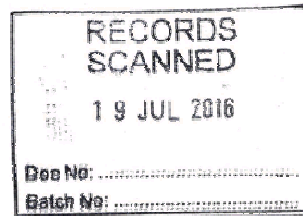




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15 July 2016

Mr Paul Hickey
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Dear Mr Hickey

REGISTER NOW: Local Government NSW Annual Conference 2016

How to register, nominate voting delegates (including entitlements) and submit motions

Registrations are now open for the Local Government NSW (LGNSW) Annual Conference 2016 (Conference) and I invite you to register your place at the Conference, nominate your member's voting delegates and submit motions for consideration at Conference from today.

As you are aware, the Conference is the premier event for the local government sector in NSW. It is where issues are debated and delegates vote on motions which determine the priorities for LGNSW's work for the year ahead.

This letter contains important information about the Conference including:

- **registering to attend the Conference**
- **submitting motions**
- **number of voting delegates** per member and how to register voting delegates
- **voting on motions**
- **distribution of Conference business papers**
- **proposed changes to the Conference process this year in response to council amalgamations.**

Event: LGNSW Annual Conference 2016
Dates: Sunday 16 October to Tuesday 18 October 2016
Venue: WIN Entertainment Centre, Corner Crown & Harbour streets, Wollongong

The key dates for this year's conference are as follows:

Activity	Dates
Registrations – to attend Conference Individual – https://ccem.eventsair.com/2016-lgnsw-conference/registration/Site/Register Group (2 or more): https://ccem.eventsair.com/2016-lgnsw-conference/group-registration	14 July 2016 – 30 September 2016
Motions for possible inclusion in business paper https://lgsa.wufoo.com/forms/2016-lgnsw-conference-business-sessions-submission/	14 July 2016 – 22 August 2016 Note: To allow printing and distribution of the Business Paper, members are encouraged to submit their motions by 22 August 2016. The absolute closing date for submitting motions for inclusion in the Business Paper for the Conference is 18 September 2016.

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Activity	Dates
Registrations – for voting delegates https://lgsa.wufoo.com/forms/registration-of-voting-delegates-motions-2016/	14 July 2016 – 30 September 2016
Financial statements available on LGNSW website	By Monday 26 September 2016 (21 days prior to the Conference)
Business papers available on LGNSW website	At least one week before Conference

Please read the attached pages carefully as the Board is proposing some changes to the way we run the 2016 Conference as a result of council amalgamations, and in the event further amalgamations occur before the Conference. We want to give all councils the opportunity to have their say at the Conference and to guide decision making, so we have suggested some changes to the way business is done.

Basically, our rules only allow members to vote that were financial on 1 March this year. The timing of recent amalgamations therefore excludes all amalgamated councils.

We need to deal with the financial statements, any rule changes and standing orders in formal business sessions in strict accordance with the Rules. However, we are proposing to deal with motions in a "committee" format so all members can be part of the debate and Administrators can have a vote (as would have been the case had they been appointed to a member before 1 March). More detail is attached.

We are also exploring what changes we may need to make to Conference in 2017 as a result of amalgamations.

LGNSW has delivered another outstanding line-up of conference sessions this year to accompany what I anticipate will be very productive and lively debate about motions and other business matters for the sector.

I trust the following information is of assistance. Members are encouraged to register their details for the Conference as soon as possible to secure their place. We will provide further reminders and updates closer to the Conference.

Outcomes from resolutions at last year's Conference are available in the Action Report on the LGNSW 2015 Conference webpage: <http://lgnsw.org.au/events-training/local-government-nsw-annual-conference/2015-annual-conference>. Members are encouraged to contact LGNSW if they have updates to add to the Action Report.

I look forward to seeing you at this year's Conference, and importantly, progressing the priority policy issues that LGNSW can support and advocate for on behalf of members.

Yours sincerely



Cr Keith Rhoades AFSM
President

Attachments:

1. General Information (registration, voting, accommodation, service awards and Gala dinner)
2. Submitting Motions; Business Papers
3. Voting on Motions (including proposed changes at 2016 Conference due to amalgamations)
4. Members' voting delegate entitlements for 2016 Conference

Attachment 1: General information

(Including registration to attend the Conference, registration as a voting delegate, business papers and motions, accommodation, outstanding service awards, the Conference Gala dinner, cancellation policy and privacy statement).

Registration – to attend the Conference

Registrations to attend the Conference are now open on the Conference page of the LGNSW website and all Conference attendees must register online. Details about early bird pricing along with information about the Gala Dinner, President's Welcome Reception and Conference business sessions are available on the website.

You can register an individual or group here:

Register as an individual – <https://ccem.eventsair.com/2016-ignsw-conference/registration/Site/Register>
Register and manage a group of 2 or more – <https://ccem.eventsair.com/2016-ignsw-conference/group-registration>

- **Early Bird registration rate is \$699** and applies if you register and pay by 31 August 2016
- **Standard registration rate is \$999** for all registrations from 1 September 2016 onwards

Members wishing to take advantage of the Early Bird rates but uncertain of Councillors' names due to pending Local Government elections can still register the requisite number of attendees and confirm names up to and including Friday, 30 September 2016 (Delegates names and alterations to delegates names can be done online).

Note: Voting delegates must be registered to attend the Conference and also be registered as a voting delegate (further information on how to register as a voting delegate is provided below).

Registration – as a voting delegate

Separate from Conference registration, members must register the names of their delegates for voting during formal business sessions by Friday, 30 September 2016. Nominations are to be made online using the nomination form here: <https://lgsa.wuicg.com/forms/registration-of-voting-delegates-motions-2016/>.

Each member (as financial on 1 March 2016) is entitled to a certain number of voting delegates. The voting entitlements for the 2016 Conference are outlined in the table at Attachment 4. The formula for calculating members' voter entitlement is prescribed at Rule 23 of the LGNSW Rules.

Voting delegates must be either an elected member of a Council, a member of the Board of the Aboriginal Land Council (ALC) or an Administrator (as defined by the LGNSW Rules) of a member that was financial on 1 March 2016.

Registration of voting delegates received after the closing date will not be accepted, provided that a member may substitute the name(s) of its voting delegates, at any time, in line with Rule 34 of the LGNSW Rules.

For further information on voting entitlements and processes, contact Mr Adam Dansie, Senior Manager Industrial Relations on 02 9242 4140.

Important note: Special arrangements are proposed for this year's Conference to allow recently formed councils to participate in debates on motions. If the Conference adjourns into a Committee (as proposed by the LGNSW Board), then Administrators of newly merged councils will also be able to vote on motions and make recommendations to the LGNSW Board for ratification – see Attachment 3 for further information.

Business Papers and Motions

Councils are strongly encouraged to submit their motions by Monday, 22 August 2016 to allow for printing and distribution of the Business Paper. The absolute deadline for submitting motions for the Business Paper is Sunday, 18 September 2016. It is our aim that a full Conference Business Paper be made available on the LGNSW website and forwarded to members approximately one week prior to the Conference. LGNSW's financial reports will be made available to members at least 21 days before the Conference.

Accommodation

We have a list of preferred accommodation options on our website and encourage you to consider booking these options so you can take advantage of walking to the WIN Entertainment Centre. Given the amount of accommodation within walking distance, no transfers are offered. You will need to book and pay your hotel direct from the list provided. If you have any trouble accessing accommodation, please fill in the booking form on our website.

Outstanding Service Awards

The Outstanding Service Awards will be presented at the Gala Dinner during the Conference. For information about the Awards, including where to apply and eligibility please check the LGNSW website.

Conference Gala Dinner

The dinner will be held on Tuesday evening. The dress code is 'after five'. No cloak room facilities are available.

Cancellation Policy

Should you register and then cancel altogether the following cancellation policy applies:

- Cancellations made by 5.00pm Friday, 30 September 2016 will be eligible for a full refund of all payments made less a \$110 administration fee per registration.
- Cancellations made after 5.00pm Friday, 30 September 2016 will not be entitled to any refund however substitute delegates may be sent.

All cancellations and amendments must be advised by email to the Bradley Hayden, Bradley@ccem.com.au.

Privacy Statement

LGNSW, which is regulated by the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth), collects private information about registered attendees to the Conference such as names, addresses, telephone numbers, credit card information and email addresses. We use the private information you give us to process your registration and to send you information in relation to the Conference.

If you choose not to provide some or all of the private information that we have sought, LGNSW may be unable to process your registration or it may result in you being unable to vote at the Conference. Further information about how LGNSW collects, holds and uses private information is contained in LGNSW's Privacy Policy which is available on the website at the following web address: <http://www.lgnsw.org.au/privacy>

Attachment 2: Submitting Motions

Submitting Motions

All members (including newly merged councils which are LGNSW members) are able to put forward motions to be considered at the Conference.

Members are able to submit motions online using the "LGNSW Conference Business Sessions Submission Form" on the LGNSW 2016 Conference webpage: www.lgnsw.org.au/events-training/local-government-nsw-annual-conference/motions

The LGNSW Board is seeking ways to ensure the motions debate centres on advancing the sector wide policy agenda in new ways. This means proposed motions should seek to be strategic, affect members state-wide and introduce new or emerging policy issues and actions. Furthermore, LGNSW has recently drafted a revised policy framework consisting of proposed Policy Principles and Position Statements which is outlined in the Policy Review Discussion Paper available at www.lgnsw.org.au/files/mce-uploads/90/LGNSW-Policy-Review-Discussion-Paper.pdf. Members are encouraged to consider the draft policy framework when drafting motions for this year's conference.

The Board has resolved that motions will be included in the Business Paper for the Conference only where they:

1. are consistent with the objects of the Association (see Rule 4 of the Association's rules);
2. relate to Local Government in NSW and/or across Australia;
3. concern or are likely to concern Local Government as a sector;
4. seek to advance the Local Government policy agenda of the Association and/or improve governance of the Association;
5. have a lawful purpose (a motion does not have a lawful purpose if its implementation would require or encourage non-compliance with prevailing laws);
6. are clearly worded and unambiguous in nature; and
7. do not express preference for one or several members over one or several other members.

For a motion to be included in the Business Paper for the Conference the submitting member needs to provide accompanying evidence of its support. Such evidence may include an extract of the minutes of the meeting at which the member resolved to submit the motion for consideration by the Conference.

Deadline for submitting motions

To allow printing and distribution of the Business Paper before the Conference, members are asked to submit their motions by Monday, 22 August 2016. In line with the LGNSW rules, the latest date motions can be accepted for inclusion in the Conference Business Paper is 12 midnight on Sunday, 18 September 2016.

Business Papers

The full Conference Business Paper is expected to be available on the LGNSW website and forwarded to members approximately one week prior to the Conference.

LGNSW's financial reports will available to members on our website at least 21 days before the Conference.

Attachment 3: Voting on motions

(including proposed changes at the 2016 Conference due to council amalgamations)

Voting on motions

LGNSW's Rules entitle members (Ordinary and Associate) to vote on the motions put to the Conference provided the member was:

- a) financial on 1 March 2016 (the "calculation date") and is also
- b) financial on Monday, 22 August 2016 (the date that the roll of voters closes), in accordance with Rule 22 of the LGNSW Rules.

The LGNSW Rules are found at: www.lwv.gov.au/registered-organisations/find-registered-organisations/local-government-and-shires-association-new

Separate from Conference registration, members must register the name(s) of their voting delegates for voting on motions by Friday, 30 September 2016. Voting registration is open via the LGNSW website (for further information about registration of voting delegates see Attachment 1).

****IMPORTANT NOTE: Motion arrangements for 2016**

Special arrangements are proposed for this year's Conference to allow recently formed councils to participate in debate on motions.

Newly amalgamated councils will not be able to vote during the formal stages of this year's Conference as the new councils were not members on 1 March 2016 ("the calculation date").

The LGNSW Board considered a range of options to include merged councils in the 2016 Conference, so they may participate in discussions that are important to our sector. LGNSW notes that while administrators are not elected officials, they are charged with the functions of elected officials, and representing their communities and local areas.

Proposal

This year, to give all members the opportunity to participate in debate on motions, once the standing orders have been adopted, the financial reports have been presented to members and any proposed motions concerning alterations to the LGNSW rules have been dealt with (by both the State and Federal Conferences), the LGNSW Board will move a motion that the Conference adjourns (at its discretion) into committee.

During the proposed committee meeting (which would in practice run in substantially the same manner as a normal Conference), different voter entitlements could apply, because the committee would not form part of the formal Conference and would not be governed by the Rules.

If the committee option is supported, all members (including the Administrators of new councils who are members of LGNSW) will be able to participate in debate on motions. Committee participants would consider policy motions (other than the Conference standing orders, the finance reports and rule change motions) and make recommendations to the LGNSW Board for ratification.

The voter entitlements of the committee would be distributed to address the rural/regional and metro/urban imbalances caused by the dissolution of the merged councils. The formal voter entitlements would be unchanged from those calculated on 1 March 2016, but LGNSW will recalculate committee voter entitlements prior to the conference commencing (i.e. on 3 October 2016 – public holiday).

The recalculation will ensure an equal distribution of votes between rural/regional and metropolitan/urban councils as far as possible. The recalculation would be done on the following basis:

1. No members would receive a reduction in voter entitlements
2. The Administrators of all new/amalgamated councils who are financial members on 3 October 2016 would be allocated one (1) vote each
3. The Norfolk Island Regional Council (NIRC), Lord Howe Island Board (LHIB) and any Related Local Government Bodies (RLGBs) that are financial members on 3 October 2016 would be allocated one vote each
4. If ABS population statistics have not been published for a particular council area due to boundary changes (e.g. Hornsby and The Hills), LGNSW will obtain and use a population estimate from the ABS
5. Votes would be capped at a maximum of 15 per member (in line with the Rule 23, Step 5 of the LGNSW Rules)
6. To approach an equality of votes between rural/regional and metropolitan/urban councils, additional voter entitlements will be allocated to metropolitan/urban councils or rural/regional councils, if and as applicable.

LGNSW will undertake a recalculation of voter entitlements on 3 October 2016 (long weekend) and advise all members so they can be prepared should the committee format be adopted. LGNSW will contact members likely to receive additional voter entitlements in advance of the recalculation so they can consider which additional delegates should be placed on a reserve list to potentially receive voter entitlements should the committee format be adopted, and to ensure they are registered to attend the Conference.

Please note this committee arrangement will only proceed if endorsed by the formal voting delegates.

Attachment 4: Members' voting delegate entitlement for 2016 Conference

Each member (as financial on 1 March 2016) is entitled a certain number of voting delegates for the purpose of voting on motions at Conference. The formula for calculating members' voter entitlement is prescribed at Rule 23 of the LGNSW Rules.

Voting delegates must be either an elected member of a Council, a member of the Board of the Aboriginal Land Council (ALC) or an Administrator (as defined by the LGNSW Rules) of a member that was financial on 1 March 2016.

New registrations of voting delegates received after 30 September 2016 will not be accepted, provided that a member may substitute the name(s) of its voting delegates, at any time, in accordance with Rule 34 of the LGNSW Rules.

The below table indicates members' voter entitlement for voting on motions at the 2016 Conference.

Important note: Special arrangements are proposed for the 2016 Conference to allow recently formed councils to participate in debate on motions. If the committee format (as proposed by the LGNSW Board) is adopted, then Administrators of newly merged councils that are members of LGNSW will be able to vote on motions and additional votes may be allocated to some members to achieve as far as possible an equality of votes between the metropolitan/urban and rural/regional categories of councils – see Attachment 3 for further information.

Member	Number of voters for voting on motions
Aboriginal Land Council (1 M/U & 8 R/R)	9
Albury City Council (R/R)	4
Ballina Shire Council (R/R)	3
Balranald Shire Council (R/R)	1
Bathurst Regional Council (R/R)	3
Bega Valley Shire Council (R/R)	3
Bellingen Shire Council (R/R)	2
Berrigan Shire Council (R/R)	1
Blacktown City Council (M/U)	12
Bland Shire Council (R/R)	1
Blayney Shire Council (R/R)	1
Blue Mountains City Council (R/R)	4
Bogan Shire Council (R/R)	1
The Council of the City of Botany Bay (M/U)	4
Bourke Shire Council (R/R)	1
Brewarrina Shire Council (R/R)	1
Broken Hill City Council (R/R)	2
Burwood Council (M/U)	4
Byron Shire Council (R/R)	3
Cabonne Shire Council (R/R)	2
Camden Council (M/U)	5
Campbelltown City Council (M/U)	10
City of Canada Bay Council (M/U)	5
Carrathool Shire Council (R/R)	1

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Member	Number of voters for voting on motions
Castlereagh-Macquarie County Council (R/R)	1
Central Darling Shire Council (R/R)	1
Central Murray County Council (R/R)	1
Central Tablelands County Council (R/R)	1
Cessnock City Council (R/R)	4
Clarence Valley Council (R/R)	4
Cobar Shire Council (R/R)	1
Coffs Harbour City Council (R/R)	4
Coolamon Shire Council (R/R)	1
Coonamble Shire Council (R/R)	1
Cowra Shire Council (R/R)	2
Dungog Shire Council (R/R)	1
Eurobodalla Shire Council (R/R)	3
Fairfield City Council (M/U)	10
Forbes Shire Council (R/R)	1
Gilgandra Shire Council (R/R)	1
Glen Innes Severn Council (R/R)	1
Goldenfields Water County Council (R/R)	1
Goulburn Mulwaree Council (R/R)	3
Greater Hume Shire Council (R/R)	2
Griffith City Council (R/R)	3
Gunnedah Shire Council (R/R)	2
Gwydir Shire Council (R/R)	1
Hawkesbury City Council (M/U)	5
Hawkesbury River County Council (M/U)	2
Hay Shire Council (R/R)	1
The Council of the Shire of Hornsby (M/U)	10
The Council of the Municipality of Hunters Hill (M/U)	2
Inverell Shire Council (R/R)	2
Junee Shire Council (R/R)	1
Kempsey Shire Council (R/R)	3
The Council of the Municipality of Kiama (R/R)	3
Ku-ring-gai Council (M/U)	7
Kyogle Council (R/R)	1
Lachlan Shire Council (R/R)	1
Lake Macquarie City Council (R/R)	7
Lane Cove Municipal Council (M/U)	4

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Member	Number of voters for voting on motions
Leeton Shire Council (R/R)	2
Lismore City Council (R/R)	3
City of Lithgow Council (R/R)	3
Liverpool City Council (M/U)	10
Liverpool Plains Shire Council (R/R)	1
Lockhart Shire Council (R/R)	1
Mailland City Council (R/R)	4
Mid-Western Regional Council (R/R)	3
MidCoast County Council (R/R)	1
Moree Plains Shire Council (R/R)	2
Mosman Municipal Council (M/U)	4
Muswellbrook Shire Council (R/R)	2
Nambucca Shire Council (R/R)	2
Narrabri Shire Council (R/R)	2
Narrandera Shire Council (R/R)	1
Narramine Shire Council (R/R)	1
New England Tablelands County Council (R/R)	1
Newcastle City Council (R/R)	7
North Sydney Council (M/U)	5
Oberon Council (R/R)	1
Orange City Council (R/R)	3
Parkes Shire Council (R/R)	2
Penrith City Council (M/U)	10
Port Macquarie-Hastings Council (R/R)	4
Port Stephens Council (R/R)	4
Randwick City Council (M/U)	7
Richmond Valley Council (R/R)	3
Riverina Water County Council (R/R)	1
Rookdale City Council (M/U)	7
Rous County Council (R/R)	1
Ryde City Council (M/U)	7
Shellharbour City Council (R/R)	4
Shoalhaven City Council (R/R)	4
Singleton Council (R/R)	3
Strathfield Municipal Council (M/U)	4
Sutherland Shire Council (M/U)	11
Council of the City of Sydney (M/U)	10

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Member	Number of voters for voting on motions
Tamworth Regional Council (R/R)	4
Temora Shire Council (R/R)	1
Tenterfield Shire Council (R/R)	1
The Hills Shire Council (M/U)	10
Tweed Shire Council (R/R)	4
Upper Hunter Shire Council (R/R)	2
Upper Lachlan Shire Council (R/R)	1
Upper Macquarie County Council (R/R)	1
Uralla Shire Council (R/R)	1
Wagga Wagga City Council (R/R)	4
Walcha Council (R/R)	1
Walgett Shire Council (R/R)	1
Warren Shire Council (R/R)	1
Warrumbungle Shire Council (R/R)	1
Waverley Council (M/U)	5
Weddin Shire Council (R/R)	1
Wentworth Shire Council (R/R)	1
Willoughby City Council (M/U)	5
Wingecarribee Shire Council (R/R)	3
Wollondilly Shire Council (R/R)	3
Wollongong City Council (R/R)	7
Woollahra Municipal Council (M/U)	5
Yass Valley Council (R/R)	2

Notes:

(R/R) – Rural / Regional
 (M/U) – Metropolitan / Urban



Local Government NSW Annual Conference 2016

Sunday 16 – Tuesday 18 October 2016

Main conference venue is WIN Entertainment Centre, Crown and Harbour Streets, Wollongong, 2500.

This program is correct at the time of publication; speakers and program details may have changed due to unforeseen circumstances.

DRAFT PROGRAM (as of 8 September 2016)

SUNDAY 16 OCTOBER	
1.00pm – 4.45pm	Bump in sponsors to WIN Entertainment Centre Foyer
1.00pm – 4.00pm	Registration opens in WIN Entertainment Centre Foyer
2.00pm – 4.45pm	Councillor training sessions in Winners Room 1, Winners Room 2, Victory Room 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Understanding changes to the Local Government Act - Know your planning - Principles of good governance
2.00pm – 4.45pm	LGNSW briefing for General Managers and Interim General Managers in Premiers Room. This briefing will give progress on negotiation for a new 2017 Local Government (State) Award and workplace reform
3.00pm – 3.30pm	Afternoon tea meet the sponsors in trade exhibition next to Premiers Room
4.45pm – 5.00pm	Pre-booked local transfer buses from WIN to Lagoon Seafood Restaurant, Stuart Park, George Hanley Drive, North Wollongong
5.00pm – 7.00pm	President's Opening Reception in Lagoon Seafood Restaurant <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Welcome To Country - Welcome from Cr Gordon Bradbery OAM, Lord Mayor of Wollongong City Council - Opening from Cr Keith Rhoades AFSM, President, LGNSW
7.00pm	Pre-booked local transfer buses will drop off back to WIN Entertainment Centre
MONDAY 17 OCTOBER – Business Session Day 1	
Chaired by Cr Keith Rhoades AFSM, WIN Entertainment Centre	
7.00am – 5.00pm	Registration opens in Box Office of WIN Entertainment Centre Foyer Distribution of voting materials and electronic handsets
7.30am – 8.45am	NSW Reconciliation Council Breakfast, Winners Room 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Welcome from the Hon Lesle Williams MP, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs - Address to be advised Supported by NSWALC and sponsored by Aboriginal Affairs NSW
8.15am – 9.00am	Trade exhibition opens in WIN Entertainment Centre Foyer
9.00am – 9.30am	Address from The Hon Mike Baird MP, Premier of New South Wales
9.30am – 10.00am	Address from Cr Keith Rhoades AFSM, President, LGNSW

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10.00am – 11.00am	<p>Opening of the Federal Conference, chaired by Cr Keith Rhoades AFSM including demonstration of voting units, adoption of standing orders, presentation of the auditor's report, general financial report and operating report to members. Business session and consideration of motions</p> <p>Opening of the State Conference, chaired by Cr Keith Rhoades AFSM including adoption of standing orders, business session and consideration of motions</p>
11.00am - 11.30am	Morning tea in trade exhibition sponsored by LG Super
11.30am – 1.00pm	Consideration of Conference business continued, chaired by the President
1.00pm – 2.00pm	<p>Lunch in trade exhibition sponsored by LG Super</p> <p>General Managers Lunch Sponsored by StateCover: StateCover, LG Super, LGP, LGNSW Member Services and councils: Building mutually beneficial partnerships, Winners Room 1 and 2</p>
2.00pm – 3.30pm	Consideration of Conference business continued, chaired by the President
3.30pm – 4.00pm	Afternoon tea in trade exhibition
4.00pm – 5.30pm	<p>Consideration of Conference business continued, chaired by the President</p> <p>Collection of all electronic handsets and voting cards</p> <p>Conference business session closes</p>
5.30pm – 6.30pm	Delegate networking function in trade exhibition
6.30pm	Trade exhibition closes. Free night for delegates
TUESDAY 18 OCTOBER – Business Session Day 2 WIN Entertainment Centre	
7.00am – 5.00pm	Registration opens in WIN Entertainment Centre Foyer
7.30am – 8.45am	<p>Australian Local Government Women's Association (ALGWA) Breakfast Winners Room 1: Tracy Howe, Chief Executive Officer, NSW Council of Social Service (NCOSS)</p> <p>Anti-Poverty Week 'Fighting Poverty Together', Winners Room 1</p>
8.00am – 5.30pm	Trade exhibition opens in WIN Entertainment Centre Foyer
9.00am – 9.15am	Introduction by Master of Ceremonies, Tracey Spicer
9.15am – 9.30am	Address from The Hon Paul Toole MP , Minister for Local Government
9.30am – 9.45am	Facilitated questions from the conference to the Minister
9.45am – 10.00am	Launch of NSW Workforce Development Strategy
10.00am – 10.05am	Premier Sponsor Meridian IT Company Update
10.05am – 10.30am	Morning tea in trade exhibition sponsored by NSW EPA
10.30am – 10.45am	Address from The Hon Peter Primrose MLC , Shadow Minister for Local Government
10.45am – 11.00am	Facilitated questions from the conference to the Shadow Minister

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11.00am – 11.45am	Keynote: Rethinking the role of local government, Peter McKinlay , Executive Director, McKinlay Douglas Ltd.
11.45am – 12.30pm	Tracey Spicer facilitates a Local Government Reform Panel: Challenges and Achievements. Panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jane Mills, Chief Operating Officer, City of Parramatta Council - Luke Johnson, General Manager, Wollondilly Shire Council - Peter Tegart, Interim General Manager, Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council
12.30pm – 12.45pm	Address on Association business from Cr Keith Rhoades AFSM, President, LGNSW
12.45pm – 1.00pm	Treasurer's Report
1.00pm – 1.45pm	Lunch in the trade exhibition WIN Entertainment Centre sponsored by NSW EPA
1.45pm – 3.00pm	MOVE TO CONCURRENT SESSIONS
1.45pm – 3.00pm	CONCURRENT SESSION 1 - Natural Resources and Environment Stream , Winners Room 1 – 2
1.45pm – 1.50pm	Facilitated by Barry Buffier , Chair and Chief Executive Officer, NSW Environment Protection Authority
1.50pm – 2.30pm	Working together to keep our environment clean, with presentations on litter prevention by Steve Beaman , Executive Director Waste and Resource Recovery Developing sound planning decisions, and underground petroleum storage systems presented by Justin Turk , Operations Officer, Hazardous Incidents and Environmental Health
2.30pm – 2.50pm	Crown Lands Review Update, David Clarke , Group Director Governance & Strategy, NSW Department of Primary Industries – Lands
1.45pm – 3.00pm	CONCURRENT SESSION 2 - Infrastructure and Planning , Auditorium
1.45pm – 1.50pm	Facilitated by Kylie Yates , Director Advocacy, LGNSW
1.45pm – 2.10pm	Fixing Country Roads, Fredric Horst , Principal Manager for Freight Strategy and Investment, Transport NSW
2.10pm – 2.30pm	Engaging councils in the process of allowing access to local roads for heavy vehicles, Sal Petrocitto , Chief Executive Officer, National Heavy Vehicle Regulator
2.30pm – 2.50pm	Councils investment in Human and Cultural Infrastructure /Sporting Facilities, Paul Doorn , Executive Director – Sport Infrastructure, NSW Office of Sport
1.45pm – 3.00pm	CONCURRENT SESSION 3 - Capacity Building and Diversity , Victory Rooms 1 – 2
1.45pm – 1.50pm	Facilitated by Sarah Artist , Senior Manager, Innovation and Capacity, LGNSW
1.50pm – 2.05pm	Designing a capability framework for NSW local government – towards an integrated package for job design, recruitment, performance management and capacity building, Jo Grisard , Principal, Grisard Consulting (invited)
2.05pm – 2.30pm	Developing council's workforce: Case studies from Wollongong and Port Stephens Councils presented by David Farmer , General Manager, Wollongong Council and

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	Wayne Wallis , General Manager, Port Stephens Council
2.30pm – 2.50pm	Change – Fit for Purpose presented by Nigel Ward , Chief Executive Officer and Director, Australian Business Lawyers & Advisors
3.00pm – 3.15pm	RETURN TO PLENARY SESSION AND CLOSE OF CONFERENCE
3.30pm – 4.00pm	Final Keynote: Resilient leadership through cultural change within a challenging environment, Kitty Chiller , Chef de Mission, Australian Olympic Team, Rio 2016
4.00pm – 4.30pm	Afternoon tea and delegate networking function in trade exhibition
7.30pm – 11.00pm	CONFERENCE DINNER WIN Entertainment Centre (within the conference room)
7.30pm	Doors Open
7.45pm	Delegates seated and entrée served
8.00pm	LGNSW President introduces Elite Sponsor, StateCover Mutual Limited
8.10pm	LGNSW President and Elite Sponsor present the Outstanding Service Awards
8.30pm	LGNSW Chief Executive and Bluett Trustees present AR Bluett Awards
9.00pm	Main Course served
	Entertainment and dancing
11.00pm	Function finishes
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