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# STRONGER COUNCILS STRONGER COMMUNI 127th LGAQ ANNUAL CONFERENCE

## 16 - 18 OCT 2023

**Gladstone Entertainment Convention Centre** 

> Local Government Association of Queensland

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### **PRESIDENT'S WELCOME**

Welcome to the Local Government Association of Queensland's 2023 Annual Conference and Annual General Meeting in Gladstone.

There has never been a more important time to come together with council colleagues to listen, learn and celebrate our great communities and everything local government does for them.

And it has never been more critical to get together and share solutions to some of the critical issues facing those communities, to build on great ideas from friends and colleagues, to reinforce the strength of the council sector and what we have achieved for community liveability.

At this, the LGAQ's 127th Annual Conference, we have worked to make sure there are plenty of informative sessions, the most useful speakers and breakout groups but, most importantly, opportunities to get together and network with others from across the state.

Come and join with your council peers in our forums to discuss, share and debate key issues.

This is also your opportunity to talk with each other and your Policy Executive members about ways the LGAQ can help and support your council.

For it is the talent and determination that we bring together as a group that helps do so much in our towns and regions, our state and indeed our nation.

As we all know, councils are on the frontline for what our communities need.



Some of the challenges are not new – financial sustainability, workforce shortages – but have sharpened in focus, whether driven by immediate impacts of natural disasters or cost of living increases fuelled by events as faraway as the war in Ukraine.

They all land in our streets and towns, and as the level of government closest to our communities, we are first call to help solve them.

But if we live in a time of challenges, it is also critical to include the celebrations, and look to the future.

Our Council Segment Showcases are terrific celebrations of great ideas and achievements.

And we will again feature the Young Councillors cohort. Their energy and enthusiasm never fails to re-energise even those of us with decades of local government experience and remind us again of why we do what we do.

As the final conference before the council elections in March next year, it will be a great opportunity to look back on the term, to thank those we have worked closely with and recognise how much we have all achieved.

Mayor Mark Jamieson PRESIDENT



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### **WELCOME TO GLADSTONE**

Welcome to the Gladstone Region and the 127th LGAQ Annual Conference!

There is no shortage of amazing things to see and do within the Gladstone Region, from the Southern Great Barrier Reef, pristine beaches and waterways, to rainforests, mountain adventures and friendly rural communities.

And all of this is set amongst the region's large-scale industrial operations, which have established Gladstone as one of Queensland's great engine rooms and a Port City to the world.

We are now at the dawn of a new age with the emergence of hydrogen and renewable energy projects that will position us as the renewable energy capital of Australia.

I look forward to catching up with you to discuss how we can improve and better serve our communities within the 77 local government areas that call the great state of Queensland home.

I hope you have a fantastic time in Gladstone and encourage you to get out and about to not only support our local businesses, but to also immerse yourself in our natural attractions – you'll be Glad you did!

### **Mayor Matt Burnett**

# SUNDAY 15 October 2023

Time	Торіс						
12:00pm-4:30pm	Policy Executive Meeting						
	Peak Services Professional Development Course Engaging Team and Community Kim Skubris						
1.00	Are you a powerful communicator, or simply a confident presenter? Fine tune your public speaking, messaging, storytelling and presentation mindset skills in readiness for the 2024 Local Government Elections, or your next life chapter. In this hands-on three-hour workshop, Kim Skubris will cover the following topics:						
1:00pm-4:00pm	<ul> <li>The mindset and mannerisms to owning your audience</li> <li>How to engage in that critical first 10 seconds – three strategies to grab an audience's attention!</li> <li>Clever messaging strategies and ways to promote your personal brand – face-to-face and on social media</li> <li>How to bring the audience back on message when someone hijacks the spotlight</li> <li>Why storytelling is so powerful when communicating your message</li> <li>How to overcome nerves and let go of the lectern!</li> </ul>						
2:00pm-5:00pm	<b>Registration</b> Delegates, observers, trade, corporate and accompanying persons						

# MONDAY 16 October 2023

Time	Торіс				
8:00am-5:00pm	<b>Registration</b> Delegates, observers, trade, corporate and accompanying persons				
10:00am-2:00pm	Indigenous Leaders Forum				
11:30am-12:30pm	Lunch				
12:30pm-2:30pm	Roads and Transport Forum				
2:30pm-3:00pm	Optional Sessions Session 1: Meet the Minister Hon Glenn Butcher MP, Minister for Regional Development and Manufacturing and Minister for Water - The Playhouse Session 2: Putting the bite on dangerous dogs - a local government win for community safety Darren Maier, CEO, RSPCA - The McArthur Room				
3:00pm-3:30pm	Afternoon Tea				
3:30pm-5:00pm	Council Segment Forums Rural and Remote Councils Oaks Grand Hotel, McArthur Resources and Regional Councils Oaks Grand Hotel - Rockerfeller Room SEQ The Playhouse Coastal Councils Conference Room A				
5:20pm-5:50pm	Conference Room A         Welcoming Ceremony         5:20pm       Welcome to Country         5:30pm       Welcome to Gladstone Mayor Matt Burnett         5:30pm       Response Mayor Matt Burnett         5:35pm       Response Mayor Mark Jamieson, President, LGAQ         5:40pm       2023 LGAQ Journalism Award         5:45pm       Sponsor Address Tim Fynes-Clinton, Managing Partner King & Company         5:50pm       LGAQ MUSOS JAM SESSION				
6:00pm-7:30pm	<b>Networking Drinks - Trade Exhibition</b> Sponsored by King & Company				

# TUESDAY 17 October 2023

Time	Торіс					
8:00am-5:00pm	<b>Registration</b> Delegates, observers, trade, corporate and accompanying persons					
8:30am	<b>Welcome</b> Master of Ceremonies - Mr Tim Cox, Communications Advisor, LGAQ					
8:35am	<b>Call to Order and Presidental Address</b> Mayor Mark Jamieson, President, LGAQ					
8:45am	Presentation of the Policy Executive					
8:55am	<b>CEO - Reflection and Scene Setting</b> Alison Smith, Chief Executive Officer, LGAQ					
9:00am	<b>Official Opening</b> The Hon. Annastacia Palaszczuk MP, Premier of Queensland and Minister for the Olympic and Paralympic Games					
9:15am	<ul> <li>The Invisible Enemy: Queensland Councils' Cyber Sagas – What You Need to Know</li> <li>Mayor Andrew Martin, Blackall Tambo Regional Council</li> <li>Des Howard, CEO, Blackall Tambo Regional Council</li> <li>Mayor Anne Baker, Isaac Regional Council</li> <li>Panel:</li> <li>Tracy Whitelaw, Chief Digital Officer, LGAQ</li> <li>Rob Champion, Queensland Government Chief Information Security Officer</li> </ul>					
9:45am	Sponsor Address - Telstra					
9:50am	<b>Panel Session: Council Segment Showcases Part 1</b> SEQ - Somerset Rail trail Coastal - Mackay- Young Mayors CEO's pick - Yarrabah Microgrid					
10:50am	Morning Tea					
11:20am	<b>Panel Session: Council Segment Showcases Part 2</b> First Nations - Palm Island Night Patrol Rural & Remote - Etheridge Hydropower Resources - Saving Glenden					

# TUESDAY Continued

Time	Торіс				
12:20pm	Sponsor Address - Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning				
12:25pm	<b>Federal Government Update</b> Kristy McBain MP, Minister for Regional Development, Local Government and the Territories				
12:30pm	<b>ALGA update</b> Linda Scott, President, ALGA				
12:35pm	<b>Lunch</b> Business Speed Networking with LGAQ CEO, Alison Smith				
1:25pm	Sponsor Address - Brighter Super				
1:30pm	<b>Opposition update</b> David Crisafulli MP, Leader of the Opposition				
1:40pm	Cost Shifting Panel				
2:10pm	<b>LGMS Member update</b> Ian Leckenby, Chair, LGMS Mayor Karen Williams, LGM Board Member				
2:20pm	Afternoon Tea				
3:00pm	Young Councillor Cohort				
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# WEDNESDAY

### 18 October 2023

Time	Торіс				
8:30am	Conference resumes				
8:35am	<b>Annual General Meeting Voting Overview</b> Darren Leckenby, Chief Financial Officer & Company Secretary				
8:40am	Motions Debate				
10:15am	Sponsor Address - Department of Energy & Public Works				
10:20am	Morning Tea				
10:50am	Motions Debate				
12:25pm	Sponsor Address - Queensland Government Customer and Digital Group				
12:30pm	<b>Lunch</b> Business Speed Networking with LGAQ CEO, Alison Smith				
1:30pm	Motions Debate				
3:00pm	LGMS - Step your way to \$10K				
3:10pm	Motions Debate				
4:10pm	<b>Close of Conference</b> Mayor Mark Jamieson, President, LGAQ				
4:15pm	Plenary Concludes				

# WORKSHOPS Monday 16 October 2023

### **INDIGENOUS LEADERS FORUM**

Since 2011, the Indigenous Leaders Forum has been a valuable way for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander councils to come together in order to discuss specific challenges and to put forward issues they would like the LGAQ to assist them in addressing. The Forum is held twice-yearly.

### **ROADS AND TRANSPORT FORUM**

Queensland's transport network is crucial for economic growth and enhancing the quality of life for local communities. The Roads and Transport Forum will involve a thought provoking discussion with several key themes including the importance of education, road safety and the role local government plays in the advancement of infrastructure to meet the evolving needs of our communities.

### **COUNCIL FORUMS**

Come and join with your council peers in one of four forums to discuss, share and debate key issues. This is also your opportunity to talk with each other and your Policy Executive members about ways the LGAQ can help and support your council.

The forums will be hosted by the LGAQ Policy Executive members.

Please register for the forum that you believe will most interest your council – if you can't decide, you are welcome to send delegates to separate forums.

### **RURAL AND REMOTE COUNCILS**

Hosts: Cr Robyn Fuhrmeister, Cr Jane McNamara and Cr Andrew Martin

**RESOURCE COUNCILS** Hosts: Cr Paul McVeigh, Cr Anne Baker

**COASTAL COUNCILS** Hosts: Cr Jack Dempsey, Cr Matt Burnett

### SOUTH EAST QUEENSLAND COUNCILS

Hosts: Cr Karen Williams, Cr Fiona Hammond Cr Paul Tully and Cr Peter Flannery

# CONFERENCE SHIRT

(Council delegates/observers only)

Council delegates and observers will be issued with ONE shirt whilst at conference. Your shirt needs to be ordered online as part of your conference registration. The sizing is as follows:

MEN'S SHIRT SIZ	ING	S	М	L	XL	2XL	. 3	XL	5XL
WOMEN'S SHIRT SIZING	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24

Please select your size carefully as there won't be the opportunity to change your size once at Conference.



# CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Please refer to registration cancellation policies on www.lgaq.asn.au when making your registration.

Early Bird Full Registration - prior to and including 25 August 2023					
Council or State Government observer	\$ 1540.00				
Five or more observers from one council/government department	\$ 1430.00				
Corporate (private sector)	\$ 3000.00				
After 25 August 2023					
Council or State Government observer	\$ 1740.00				
Five or more observers from one council/government department	\$ 1600.00				
Corporate (private sector)	\$ 3240.00				
Early Bird One Day Registration - prior to and including 25 August 2023					
Council or State Government observer	\$ 770.00				
Corporate (private sector)	\$ 1210.00				
After 25 August 2023					
Council or State Government observer	\$ 880.00				
Corporate (private sector)	\$ 1600.00				
FUNCTIONS					
Welcoming Ceremony (accompanying persons, day registrations and additional trade exhibitors)	\$ 75.00				
DINNER					
Gala Dinner – Tuesday evening (17 October 2023)	\$ 175.00				

Please note that the Welcoming Ceremony on the Monday evening is included in the conference fee for delegates, observers and corporates attending the full three days of conference.

Accompanying persons are welcome to attend the Welcoming Ceremony and Gala Dinner.

Register via links below or online at <u>https://www.lgaq.asn.au/membership/events.</u>

Delegate & Observers Individual Registration

Registration Booking

Delegate & Observer Group Registration

Registration Booking

Corporate Registration

Registration Booking

Accommodation

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Conference and Exhibition enquiries: Phone 1300 542 700 or email events@lgaq.asn.au