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PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

MAYOR MARK JAMIESON
PRESIDENT



Welcome to the **Local Government Association of Queensland's 2022 Annual Conference** and Annual General Meeting in Cairns.

One of the great things to emerge from last year's 125th Annual Conference was the strength of our universal focus on the liveability of our communities. This is at the heart of what we do as councils every day – and it is at the core of what motivates elected members across our local government family. Fittingly, it is the central tenet of our conference this year, and across the entirety of the program.

When we say 'every Queensland community deserves to be a liveable one' this isn't just a catchphrase. It is a foundation principle and one which we – the local governments of Queensland – stand by and represent in everything we do. While some of the challenges we face are unchanged, new ones continue to emerge, particularly in the form of the rising cost of living for our residents and our communities. Arguably, one of the biggest challenges we are confronting at the level of government closest to the community is the housing crisis. While this is the focus of a dedicated session on the conference program, I have no doubt it will feature in wider discussions a number of times during our time together in Cairns.

We are fast approaching the three-quarter mark in this term of local government, so the 'What do we need to think of now?' session will be an important conversation for mayors and councillors who are looking to continue in the service of their communities, as will be our special focus on young councillors.

As always, the Council Showcase will highlight the innovation and drive that are vital to our success as councils and to the future of the communities we represent. There are sure to be some great learning opportunities for all of us in the five stories that will be on offer this year.

You'll also find something new at the conclusion of this year's conference program, and I hope your council has been able to take part in 'Queensland: It's Time to Shine', which I think is a wonderful initiative. I am really looking forward to seeing what our councils have come up with in the way of promoting their unique, local attractions.

I want to encourage everyone attending this year's conference to make the most of our time together in Cairns. Pick up some great insights from our conference speakers, but also take advantage of the all-too-rare chance to spend some time with your colleagues from across our great state. That opportunity alone, is worth its weight in gold.



WELCOME TO CAIRNS

MAYOR BOB MANNING CAIRNS REGIONAL COUNCIL



I would like to warmly welcome you to the **126th LGAQ Annual Conference**, which is being held in the best regional city in Australia – Cairns.

A vibrant and sophisticated tropical city, Cairns is the international gateway to two of the world's most precious and pristine natural wonders – the World Heritage listed Great Barrier Reef and Wet Tropics Rainforest.

It is also home to two of the world's oldest living cultures – Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have inhabited the Cairns and Great Barrier Reef region for tens of thousands of years.

After more than two years of operating under the cloud of COVID-19 restrictions, I am happy to say that the green shoots of recovery have blossomed into fruits of prosperity for Cairns as visitors return to our city.

The unique natural attractions, enviable climate, relaxed lifestyle and friendly hospitality make Cairns one of Australia's most desirable places to live, visit and do business. It is with that same spirit that we welcome our colleagues from local governments throughout the state to this year's conference.

This annual event is an extraordinary forum that can help us find better ways to serve our communities through the sharing of our ideas, challenges and achievements.

I encourage you to get out and about and sample our city's unique lifestyle. With world-class restaurants serving up some of the best seafood, tropical fruits and local produce, along with more than 500 tourism experiences on offer across the region, I am sure you will enjoy your time in Cairns.



SUNDAY

16 October 2022

10:00am – 12:00pm

Peak Services Professional Development Course Dropping Anchor

David Contarini's two-hour workshop will explore the emotional response we experience when feeling stressed, worried and anxious. The session will help Elected Members to identify how to "unhook" themselves from these unhelpful feelings and how to refocus their attention on the "here and now".

For further information please contact training@wearepeak.com.au

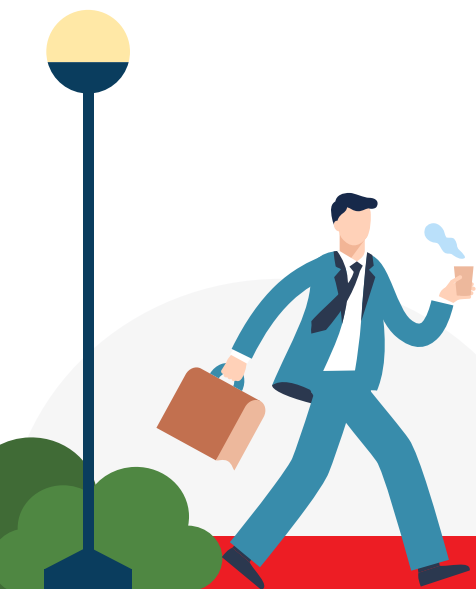
2:00pm – 4:00pm

Peak Services Professional Development Course Course repeated

Attendees must register with Peak Training prior to arriving at Conference

12:00pm – 4:30pm

Policy Executive meeting



MONDAY

DAY 1

17 October 2022

8:00am – 5:00pm

Registration

Delegates, observers, trade, corporate and accompanying persons

10:30am – 5:00pm

Indigenous Leaders Forum

This session is run at the Pullman Cairns International in the Tully rooms.

10:30am

Morning tea

11:00am

Panel discussion: Success of Regional University Centres in Queensland

Senator the Hon. Anthony Chisholm, Assistant Minister for Education, Assistant Minister for Regional Development

Duncan Taylor, Founder Country University Centres (CUC)

Mayor Peter Scott – Cook Shire Council

Mayor Samantha O'Toole – Balonne Shire Council

Mayor Danielle Slade – Mt. Isa City Council

Cr Cameron O'Neil – Maranoa Regional Council (CUC Chair)

12:30pm

Lunch

Speed dating with LGAQ CEO, Alison Smith

1:30pm

Roads and Transport Forum

2:30pm

Eyes wide open to the economic outlook

QTC Chief Economist and panel with Mayor Andy Ireland – Livingstone Shire Council and Mayor Tanya Milligan – Lockyer Valley Regional Council

3:00pm

Afternoon tea

3:30pm

Council Forums

Rural and remote Councils

Resources Councils

SEQ Councils

Coastal Councils



CONTINUED

DAY 1

17 October 2022

Welcoming Ceremony

5:15pm

Welcome to Country

5:20pm

Welcome to Cairns

Mayor Bob Manning

5:30pm

Response

Mayor Mark Jamieson
LGAQ President

5:35pm

Special guest act

5:40pm

2022 LGAQ Journalism Award

The LGAQ Regional Journalism Award is dedicated to showcasing excellence in reporting in regional Queensland. The Award honours the memory of ABC journalist Paul Lockyer, camera operator John Bean and helicopter pilot Gary Ticehurst. Listen to the official announcement of the 2022 winner, who will receive a \$15,000 prize.

5:45pm

Networking drinks

Trade exhibition hall
Sponsored by King & Company Solicitors

7:15pm

Networking drinks conclude



TUESDAY

DAY 2

18 October 2022

8:00am – 5:00pm

Registration

Delegates, observers, trade, corporate and accompanying persons

8:30am

Welcome

Master of Ceremonies – Tim Cox, Communications Advisor, LGAQ

8:35am

Call to Order and Presidential Address

Mayor Mark Jamieson, President, LGAQ

8:50am

Presentation of Policy Executive

9:00am

CEO welcome

Alison Smith, Chief Executive Officer, LGAQ

9:10am

Official opening

9:30am

Advocating for success – and when to re-set

The Hon. Bruce Billson, Australian Small Business and Family Enterprise Ombudsman

9:50am

A word from our partner: Telstra

Nadine Russell, Group Owner Local Government & Communities Services

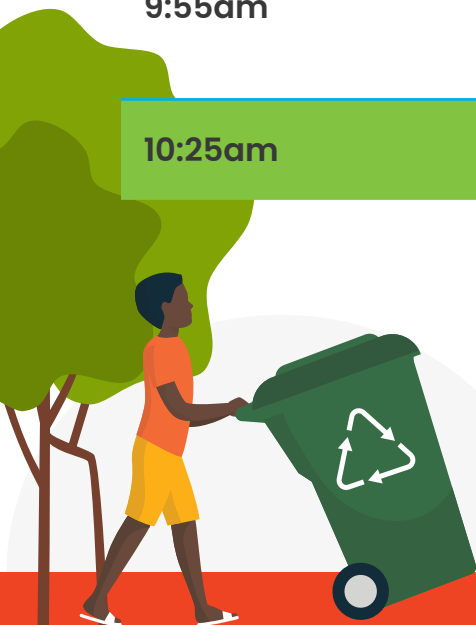
9:55am

Raising the roof on the housing crisis

Presented by Christine Cuppitt, Chief, Policy and Strategy, Australian Banking Association
Followed by a panel discussion

10:25am

Morning tea



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DAY 2

18 October 2022

10:50am

A word from our partner: Brighter Super

Wayne Rogers, Relationship Manager

Panel session: Council showcases

Chaired by: Cory Heathwood, Head of Advocacy, LGAQ

Central Highlands Regional Council: Queensland Beef Corridors – an investment for future generations

10:55am

Flinders Shire Council: Transparency brings community benefits

Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council: Game-changers: Cherbourg's facilities for the future

Livingstone Shire Council: Positive action for climate resilience

Scenic Rim Regional Council: Crisis? – What an opportunity!

12:25pm

Lunch

Speed dating with LGAQ CEO, Alison Smith

1:25pm

A word from our partner:

Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning

1:30pm

March 2024 – what do we need to think of now?

Pat Vidgen, Electoral Commissioner, ECQ

Glen Beckett, Head of Assist, LGAQ

1:50pm

LGMS Member update and risk management awards

Ian Leckenby, Chair, LGMS

2:10pm

Young councillor cohort

An interactive session exploring the importance of diversity in council representatives



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DAY 2

18 October 2022

2:40pm

Afternoon tea

3:00pm

2022 Alison Woolla Memorial Award for Local Leadership in Preventing Domestic and Family Violence

3:10pm

A word from our partner: Ergon Energy Network and Energex

Michael Dart, Executive General Manager – Customer Energy QLD

3:15pm

Federal Government update

3:30pm

Peak Services update

3:50pm

Disaster management update

4:15pm

Program concludes

6:15pm

Gala Dinner

Australian Armour & Artillery Museum, Cairns

Sponsored by Hastings Deering

11:30pm

Dinner concludes



WEDNESDAY

DAY 3

19 October 2022

8:30am

Conference resumes

8:35am

Australian Local Government Association update

Councillor Linda Scott, President, ALGA

8:45am

Annual General Meeting including debate of motions

Voting overview provided by Darren Leckenby, Chief Financial Officer & Company Secretary, LGAQ

10:15am

A word from our partner: Amazon

Craig Lawton, Senior Manager, Solutions Architecture AWS Public Sector

10:20am

Morning tea

10:50am

Opposition update

Ann Leahy, Shadow Minister for Disaster Recovery, Shadow Minister for Volunteers, Shadow Minister for Local Government

11:00am

Motions debate

12:30pm

Lunch

Speed dating with LGAQ CEO, Alison Smith



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DAY 3

19 October 2022

1:30pm

The OIA and the path forward

Mayor Tom Tate, City of Gold Coast

Mayor Lyn McLaughlin, Burdekin Shire Council

Tim Fynes-Clinton, Executive Partner, King & Company Solicitors

2:10pm

Motions debate

3:40pm

Queensland: it's Time to Shine

Competition winner announced

Tourism updates from TEQ and QTIC

4:10pm

President to close

4:15pm

Close of conference



WORKSHOPS

MONDAY
17th October 2022

INDIGENOUS LEADERS FORUM

Since 2011, the Indigenous Leaders Forum has been a valuable way for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander councils to come together to discuss specific challenges and to put forward issues they would like the LGAQ to assist them in addressing. This forum is held twice yearly. This years forum will be at the Pullman Cairns International in the Tully rooms.

SUCCESS OF REGIONAL UNIVERSITY CENTRES IN QUEENSLAND

Growing your own talent locally.
Regional University Centres help students in regional, rural and remote areas of Australia to not only participate but also succeed in tertiary education through the provision of support and facilities. Each Centre is unique and reflects the community it serves including the place, people, local industry and educational provision. Come along to hear from the panel of speakers as they discuss how they are retaining local talent with innovative education models which are enhancing the lives of locals and the communities they live in.

ROADS AND TRANSPORT FORUM

As Queensland's transport needs evolve, so does the need for infrastructure in communities across Queensland. The Roads and Transport Forum will spark the conversation around emerging technologies such as electric vehicles and charging stations, the need for alternative fuels and how local government can play a key role in shaping the future of transport infrastructure.

COUNCIL FORUMS

Join 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 support your council. The forums will be hosted by the LGAQ Policy Executive members. When registering for the conference, please ensure you register for the council forum that you believe will most interest your council – if you can't decide, you are welcome to send delegates to separate forums of interest.

RURAL AND REMOTE COUNCILS

Hosts: Cr Robyn Fuhrmeister, Cr Robert Dare and Cr Jane McNamara

RESOURCE COUNCILS

Hosts: Cr Paul McVeigh, Cr Anne Baker

COASTAL COUNCILS

Hosts: Cr Jack Dempsey, Cr Matt Burnett, Cr Jenny Hill, Cr Peter Scott

SOUTH EAST QUEENSLAND COUNCILS

Hosts: Cr Peter Matic, Cr Karen Williams, 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 SIZING	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	5XL
GARMENT 1/2 CHEST (CM)	52	54.5	57	60	64	70	79

WOMEN'S SHIRT SIZING	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24
GARMENT 1/2 CHEST (CM)	46.5	49	51.5	54	56.5	59	62	65	68

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

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION (GST incl)

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

Early Bird Full Registration – prior to and including 26 August 2022

Council or State Government observer	\$ 1540.00
5 or more observers from one council/government department	\$ 1430.00
Corporate (private sector)	\$ 3000.00

After 26 August 2022

Council or State Government observer	\$ 1740.00
5 or more observers from one council/government department	\$ 1600.00
Corporate (private sector)	\$ 3240.00

Early Bird One Day Registration – prior to and including 26 August 2022

Council or State Government observer	\$ 770.00
Corporate (private sector)	\$ 1210.00

After 26 August 2022

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
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DINNER

Gala Dinner – Tuesday evening (18 October 2022)	\$ 175.00
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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
<https://www.lgaq.asn.au/membership/events>.
under the Events Tab 126th LGAQ Annual
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Delegate & Observer Individual Registration

**Registration
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Corporate Registration

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Accommodation

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Accommodation for Annual Conference is being organised by FMC travel.





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