



# Camden Council

## Business Paper

**Ordinary Council Meeting**  
**9 April 2013**

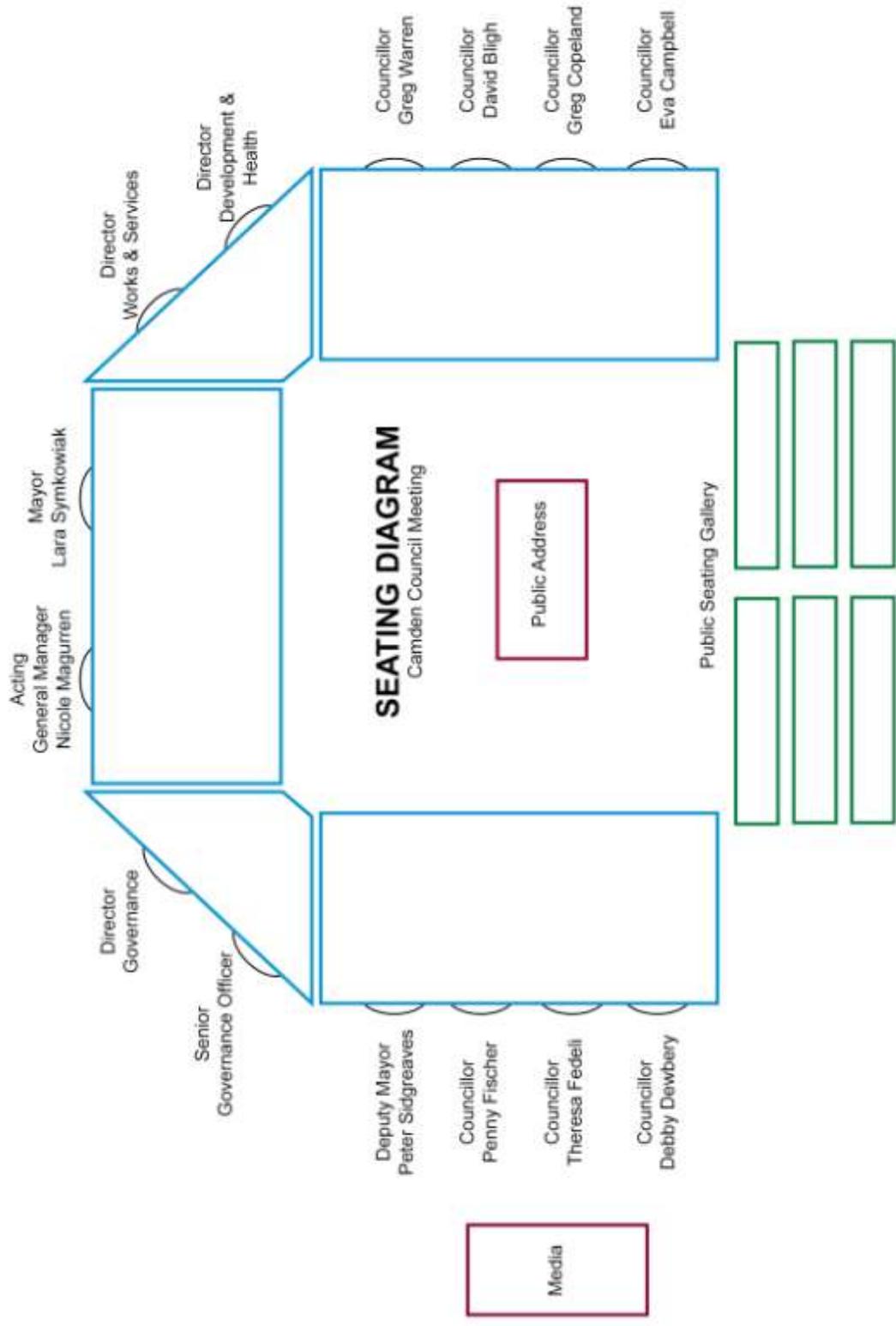
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**Camden Civic Centre**  
**Oxley Street**  
**Camden**



## COMMON ABBREVIATIONS

AEP	Annual Exceedence Probability
AHD	Australian Height Datum
BCA	Building Code of Australia
CLEP	Camden Local Environmental Plan
CP	Contributions Plan
DA	Development Application
DECCW	Department of Environment, Climate Change & Water
DCP	Development Control Plan
DDCP	Draft Development Control Plan
DPI	Department of Planning & Infrastructure
DLG	Division of Local Government, Department of Premier & Cabinet
DWE	Department of Water and Energy
DoH	Department of Housing
DoT	NSW Department of Transport
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
EP&A Act	Environmental Planning & Assessment Act
EPA	Environmental Protection Authority
EPI	Environmental Planning Instrument
FPL	Flood Planning Level
GCC	Growth Centres Commission
LAP	Local Approvals Policy
LEP	Local Environmental Plan
LGA	Local Government Area
MACROC	Macarthur Regional Organisation of Councils
OSD	Onsite Detention
REP	Regional Environmental Plan
PoM	Plan of Management
RL	Reduced Levels
RMS	Roads & Maritime Services (incorporating previous Roads & Traffic Authority)
SECTION 149 CERTIFICATE	Certificate as to zoning and planning restrictions on properties
SECTION 603 CERTIFICATE	Certificate as to Rates and Charges outstanding on a property
SECTION 73 CERTIFICATE	Certificate from Sydney Water regarding Subdivision
SEPP	State Environmental Planning Policy
SRA	State Rail Authority
SREP	Sydney Regional Environmental Plan
STP	Sewerage Treatment Plant
VMP	Vegetation Management Plan
WSROC	Western Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils



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# ORDINARY COUNCIL

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## ORDINARY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: PRAYER

### PRAYER

Almighty God, bless all who are engaged in the work of Local Government. Make us of one heart and mind, in thy service, and in the true welfare of the people we serve: We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

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Almighty God, give thy blessing to all our undertakings. Enlighten us to know what is right, and help us to do what is good: We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

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Almighty God, we pause to seek your help. Guide and direct our thinking. May your will be done in us, and through us, in the Local Government area we seek to serve: We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

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### AFFIRMATION

We affirm our hope and dedication to the good Government of Camden and the well being of all Camden's residents, no matter their race, gender or creed.

We affirm our hope for the sound decision making by Council which can improve the quality of life in Camden.

*Either – "So help me God" or "I so affirm" (at the option of councillors)*

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We pledge ourselves, as elected members of Camden Council, to work for the provision of the best possible services and facilities for the enjoyment and welfare of the people of Camden.

*Either – "So help me God" or "I so affirm" (at the option of councillors)*

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## **ORDINARY COUNCIL**

**SUBJECT: ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY**

I would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land on which we meet and pay our respect to elders both past and present.



## **ORDINARY COUNCIL**

**SUBJECT: RECORDING OF COUNCIL MEETINGS**

In accordance with Camden Council's Code of Meeting Practice and as permitted under the Local Government Act this meeting is being audio recorded by Council staff for minute taking purposes.



## **ORDINARY COUNCIL**

**SUBJECT: APOLOGIES**

Leave of absence tendered on behalf of Councillors from this meeting.

### **RECOMMENDED**

**That leave of absence be granted.**



## **ORDINARY COUNCIL**

**SUBJECT:       DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

NSW legislation provides strict guidelines for the disclosure of pecuniary and non-pecuniary Conflicts of Interest and Political Donations.

Council's Code of Conduct also deals with pecuniary and non-pecuniary conflict of interest and Political Donations and how to manage these issues (Clauses 7.5 -7.27).

Councillors should be familiar with the disclosure provisions contained in the Local Government Act 1993, Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979 and the Council's Code of Conduct.

This report provides an opportunity for Councillors to disclose any interest that they may have or Political Donation they may have received relating to a Report contained in the Council Business Paper and to declare the nature of that interest.

### **RECOMMENDED**

**That the declarations be noted.**



## **ORDINARY COUNCIL**

### **SUBJECT: PUBLIC ADDRESSES**

The Public Address segment (incorporating Public Question Time) in the Council Meeting provides an opportunity for people to speak publicly on any item on Council's Business Paper agenda or on any matter within the Local Government area which falls within Council jurisdiction.

Speakers must book in with the Council office by 4.00pm on the day of the meeting and must advise the topic being raised. Only seven (7) speakers can be heard at any meeting. A limitation of one (1) speaker for and one (1) speaker against on each item is in place. Additional speakers, either for or against, will be identified as 'tentative speakers' and should only be considered where the total number of speakers does not exceed seven (7) at any given meeting.

Where a member of the public raises a question during the Public Address segment, a response will be provided where Councillors or staff have the necessary information at hand; if not a reply will be provided at a later time. There is a limit of one (1) question per speaker per meeting.

All speakers are limited to 4 minutes, with a 1 minute warning given to speakers prior to the 4 minute time period elapsing.

Public Addresses are recorded for administrative purposes. It should be noted that speakers at Council meetings do not enjoy any protection from parliamentary-style privilege. Therefore they are subject to the risk of defamation action if they make comments about individuals. In the event that a speaker makes potentially offensive or defamatory remarks about any person, the Mayor/Chairperson will ask them to refrain from such comments.

The Mayor/Chairperson has the discretion to withdraw the privilege to speak where a speaker continues to make inappropriate or offensive comments about another person.

### **RECOMMENDED**

**That the public addresses be noted.**



## **ORDINARY COUNCIL**

**SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Confirm and adopt Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 26 March 2013.

### **RECOMMENDED**

**That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 26 March 2013, copies of which have been circulated, be confirmed and adopted.**



# ORDINARY COUNCIL

ORD01

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**SUBJECT: ROTARY CLUB OF NARELLAN - FEE REFUND REQUEST**  
**FROM:** Acting Director, Development & Health  
**BINDER:** DA 522/2012

## PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's determination of a request from the Rotary Club of Narellan for a refund of a development application (DA), a Construction Certificate (CC) and associated application fees for the construction and use of a Men's Shed at 362 Narellan Road, Mount Annan (within the Australian Botanic Garden Mount Annan).

## BACKGROUND

On 31 May 2012, Council received a combined DA/CC application to construct a Men's Shed at 362 Narellan Road, Mount Annan. The aim of the Men's Shed is to provide a focus for men to gather and share knowledge and skills whilst providing a comfortable environment for them to discuss their emotions, feelings and any health issues. The DA was approved by Council staff under delegated authority on 29 August 2012.

This request seeks a refund of the DA, CC and associated application fees. The fees were paid to Council when the application was lodged in May 2012.

There are some fees which Council is unable to refund as they are collected by Council but forwarded to other authorities. This application has paid a long service levy fee which Council cannot refund. The applicant must complete an application form and seek a refund from the Long Service Corporation should they wish to do so.

The fees outlined below reflect the fees that Council has the ability to refund.

**A copy of the request is provided in the Business Paper supporting documents.**

## MAIN REPORT

On 12 March 2013, Council received a request for a refund of a DA, a CC and associated application fees for this development. Based on the estimated project value of \$70,000, Council charged the following fees for this application:

Fee	Purpose	Amount
DA Fee	The assessment of the DA by Council	\$424.80
Archiving Fee (for the DA)	The physical and electronic storage of the DA by Council	\$27
Notification Fee	The public notification of the DA to surrounding residents	\$235
Advertising Sign Fee	The assessment of a proposed sign as part of the DA	\$316.20
Public Infrastructure Damage Inspection Fee	Council staff inspection of existing public infrastructure in the vicinity of the site	\$187.50
Construction Certificate	A Construction Certificate is required for	\$630.85



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Fee	new building works	
Principal Certifying Authority Inspection Fees	Building inspections by Council staff to ensure statutory compliance with the Building Code of Australia	\$525
Archiving (for the CC)	The physical and electronic storage of the CC by Council	\$27
		<b>Total = \$2,373.35*</b>

**\*The total fees excluding GST is \$2,222.48.**

At the Council meeting of 13 June 2006, Council considered a report regarding the waiving of fees for community based projects. At the time, it was determined that all fees associated with the assessment of DAs are payable by the applicant to Council.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Councillors may utilise Ward Funds in order to reimburse the fees paid for this application. As of 9 April 2013, \$18,940 is available in Councillor Ward Funds.

### **CONCLUSION**

A request has been received by Council seeking a refund of fees associated with a DA and CC for the construction of a Men's Shed. The total amount of those fees that could be refunded is \$2,373.35 (\$2,222.48 excluding GST). The Men's Shed provides a valuable community service and a comfortable environment for men to share knowledge, skills and issues.

The request is reported to Council as it is a matter for Council to determine.

### **RECOMMENDED**

**That:**

- i. Council determine the matter; and**
- ii. Council staff advise the applicant of Council's decision.**

### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Copy of Request for Refund of Fees - *Supporting Document*



# ORDINARY COUNCIL

ORD02

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**SUBJECT: 2013 NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT**  
**FROM:** Acting General Manager  
**BINDER:** NGA - Local Government

## PURPOSE OF REPORT

To inform Council of the National General Assembly of Local Government 2013 to be held in Canberra from 16 to 19 June 2013, to seek direction on Council's attendance and determine if Council wishes to submit any motions for debate at the Assembly.

## BACKGROUND

The Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) is the peak national body for local government in Australia. Each year, ALGA holds its annual general assembly in Canberra, typically attracting more than eight hundred Mayors, Councillors and senior staff from across Australia.

## MAIN REPORT

The National General Assembly is an opportunity for councils across Australia to contribute to the development of national local government policy and receive updates on the top policy issues facing local government nationwide.

Reflecting current issues being debated nationally and priority issues facing local government, the theme of the 2013 National General Assembly is "Foundations for the Future – Twenty 13". A copy of the Program and Registration Brochure **is attached to the end of this report.**

In order to prepare the necessary Business Papers for discussion and debate at the Assembly, ALGA is calling for motions to be submitted no later than 26 April 2013 for the 2013 National General Assembly.

To be eligible for inclusions, the motions must:

- i. fall within the National General Assembly theme;
- ii. be relevant to the work of local government nationally; and
- iii. complement or build on the policy objectives of state and territory associations.

To assist councils in developing motions that are in line with the above requirements, ALGA has prepared a Discussion Paper outlining issues that are appropriate and relevant for submission as motions. A copy of the Discussion Paper is **provided in the Business Paper Supporting Documents.**

In addition to submission of any motions, it is appropriate for Council to nominate any Councillors wishing to attend the National General Assembly so that preparations, such as registration, accommodation bookings and travel arrangements, can be made in advance. Early bird registration, with relevant discounts, is open until 22 April 2013.



In accordance with Clause 10.4 of Council's Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities Policy, *"any costs incurred in relation to conference attendance, including registration fees, transport to and from the conference, accommodation, official lunches and dinners relevant to the conference and incidental expenses are to be paid from the Councillors annual allowance and is not reimbursable under this Policy."*

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The cost of early bird registration fees for attendance at the full National General Assembly is \$899 per delegate.

A range of accommodation venues and types have been listed in the Program and Registration Brochure, generally starting from \$200 per night per person.

### **CONCLUSION**

The 2013 National General Assembly of Local Government is an opportunity for councils across Australia to convene and address issues of importance to local government.

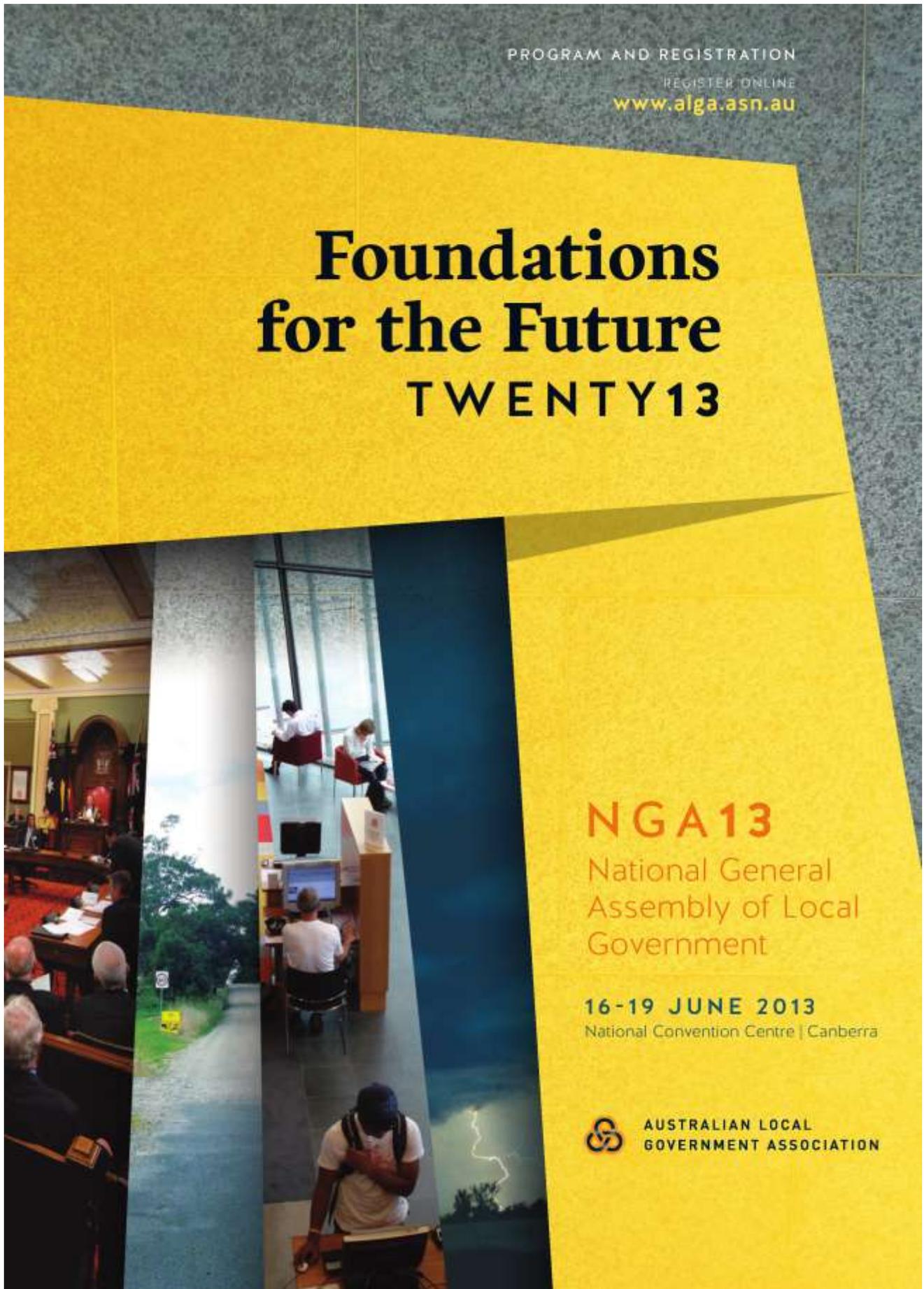
### **RECOMMENDED**

**That Council:**

- i. identify any motions it may wish to submit for debate at the National General Assembly and convey them to the General Manager for submission by the deadline of 26 April 2013; and**
- ii. determine if it will be represented at the 2013 National General Assembly between 16 – 19 June 2013.**

### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. NGA Program and Registration Brochure
2. NGA Call for Motions Discussion Paper - *Supporting Document*



ORD02

Attachment 1

**Foundations  
for the Future  
TWENTY13**

## PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

Colleagues,

I invite you to attend this year's National General Assembly of Local Government (NGA) in Canberra from 16-19 June.

The NGA is the premier local government event bringing together more than 700 mayors, councillors and senior officers from councils across Australia to develop local government policy ideas, meet with key federal politicians and hear from renowned experts on the key issues affecting local government in Australia.

This year there will be a federal election on 14 September. The election provides an important opportunity to seek commitments from all federal political parties about the way in which they will work with and support councils in meeting community needs.

I have invited the Prime Minister, Minister for Regional Australia, Regional Development and Local Government, the Leader of the Opposition, Shadow Minister for Regional Development, Local Government and Water, the Leader of the Nationals and the Leader of the Australian Greens to address the NGA and to engage directly with you.

The theme for this year's NGA is *Foundations for the Future: Twenty 13*. The theme and the political climate this year focuses our attention on our future as a nation. At a political level it will be a year that determines who will govern Australia for the next term of parliament. At a local level we need to build the resources and capacity to strengthen our communities and position our communities into the future. The ALGA Board recently called for Notices of Motions for the NGA and these will set out the framework for debate. I would encourage you and your council to think

through ideas or initiatives you would like to see debated at the NGA and to submit these as motions for the NGA.

I am pleased to inform you that the keynote speakers at this year's NGA are well known and highly respected Australians Fred Chaney AO, Geraldine Doogue AO and Peter FitzSimons AM. These speakers will join a number of other subject matter experts in steering the discussions at the NGA.

As you know, we are currently in the middle of a major campaign to gain financial recognition for local government in the Australian Constitution. Many councils have provided submissions to the current Joint Select Committee (JSC) on the Constitutional Recognition of Local Government. By the time we meet in Canberra at the NGA the JSC will have finished and the Government will have responded to the Committee's report. We may well be on the road to a referendum at the end of the year. This year's NGA will include a comprehensive report on the status of constitutional recognition.

The NGA is your opportunity to make sure that your council's view is reflected in the national priorities identified for local government. I invite you to be part of this important event by joining your colleagues in Canberra from 16-19 June 2013.

I look forward to seeing you in Canberra.



**Mayor Felicity-ann Lewis**

ALGA PRESIDENT

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**NGA13**  
National General Assembly of Local Government

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## PROGRAM

### SUNDAY 16 JUNE

5:00-7:00 pm Welcome Reception

### MONDAY 17 JUNE

9:00 am OPENING CEREMONY

9:20 am ALGA President's Welcome  
9:50 am Prime Minister  
**The Hon Julia Gillard MP** (invited)

10:30 am MORNING TEA

11:00 am Keynote Speaker: **Geraldine Doogue AO**  
11:45 am Election Priorities—Twenty 13

12:30 pm LUNCH

1:30 pm The Debate—The Big Issues

3:00 pm AFTERNOON TEA

3:30 pm Debate on Motions  
4:30 pm Leader of the Opposition  
**The Hon Tony Abbott MP** (invited)

5:00 pm CLOSE

7:00 pm BUFFET DINNER

### TUESDAY 18 JUNE

9:00 am Keynote Speaker: **Fred Chaney AO**  
9:45 am Debate on Motions

10:30 am MORNING TEA

11:00 am Leader of the Australian Greens,  
**Senator Christine Milne**  
11:30 am National Awards for Local Government  
12:00 noon Leader of the Nationals  
**The Hon Warren Truss MP**

12:30 pm LUNCH

1:30 pm National Awards for Local Government  
2:00 pm Financial Assistance Grants Review—  
Commonwealth Grants Commission

3:00 pm AFTERNOON TEA

3:30 pm Debate on Motions  
4:30 pm Shadow Minister for Local Government,  
**Senator Barnaby Joyce**

5:00 pm CLOSE

7:00 pm OFFICIAL DINNER, PARLIAMENT HOUSE

### WEDNESDAY 19 JUNE

9:00 am Keynote Speaker: **Peter FitzSimons AM**  
9:45 am Debate on Motions

10:30 am MORNING TEA

11:00 am Debate on Motions  
12:00 noon Minister for Regional Australia, Regional  
Development and Local Government  
**The Hon Simon Crean MP** (invited)

12:30 pm PRESIDENT'S CLOSE

1:00 pm CLOSE

### KEY DATES

Submission of  
Motions for Debate

**FRIDAY 26 APRIL 2013**

Early Bird Registration  
on or before

**MONDAY 22 APRIL 2013**

Standard Registration  
on or before

**FRIDAY 31 MAY 2013**

Late Registration  
after

**FRIDAY 31 MAY 2013**

Attachment 1



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THEME OVERVIEW

# Foundations for the Future TWENTY13

## NGA 13

National General  
Assembly of Local  
Government

The National General Assembly (NGA) is a significant opportunity for local government to meet and discuss the issues facing local government and to develop agreed positions which can inform the development of ALGA's policies in the coming year. Through the NGA, local government representatives can engage directly with key federal politicians, move and debate motions, hear from a range of subject matter experts, and network with local government colleagues from around Australia.

This year's NGA is themed *Foundations for the Future: Twenty 13*. The theme has been selected because it looks forward and captures the opportunities of the federal election to be held on 14 September 2013.

Local government plays a critical role in Australia's democratic system of government. It represents local communities and plays a key role in planning, coordinating, facilitating and providing services, infrastructure and programs that meet community and regional needs.

While councils can do a lot themselves, many local governments are constrained by lack of resources, expertise and adequate support from other levels of government (and the private sector) to meet all of their communities needs. There has never been a more important time to fight for our local communities and the capacity of local government to serve them. This year's election will determine the Government for the next three years, and set the nation's direction for the future. It is essential that Australia has a strong national economy, an adequate social safety net and appropriate national support systems and that it plays an active role in the international community. But it is also vitally important that the Australian Government also creates the environment for regions and local communities to prosper.

The lead up to the federal election is an opportunity to seek commitments from all federal political parties about the way in which they will work with and support councils in meeting community needs. ALGA actively advocates on behalf of the

sector in the lead up to every election, ALGA does this by engaging directly with all the major political parties, documenting local government initiatives and communicating these to federal politicians. In doing this ALGA draws heavily on the discussions and outcomes of the NGA and on initiatives contained in the NGA Resolutions.

Local government is a richly diverse, highly responsive, accountable and dynamic level of government. Local government's national significance is underlined by the fact that it employs around 195,000 Australians (just over 10 per cent of the total public sector work force), owns and manages non-financial assets worth over \$250 billion, raises around 3.5 per cent of Australia's total taxation revenue per annum and has an annual expenditure of around \$29 billion (2010-11) —just under 6 per cent of total public sector spending.

Most of local government's expenditure is directed towards the provision of local services, which include: housing and community amenities; transport and communications; recreation and culture; and social security and welfare.

At an aggregate level local government undertakes its work while being more than 80 per cent self-funded. However, many rural and regional communities have limited financial capacity which means those councils are much more reliant on external funding sources. Higher grant levels are absolutely critical to these councils to equalise services and infrastructure availability across the communities. Considerable local government funds are spent on vital additional work that relates to broad national issues.

As the level of government closest to Australians, local government is aware of and understands the myriad of challenges faced by local and regional communities as they live, work and interact in an increasingly complex domestic and global environment. Local and regional communities require support to respond and adapt to factors they cannot control, such as climate change, drought, natural disasters and economic upheavals.

## NGA 13 National General Assembly of Local Government



### Financing Local Government

In 2006 ALGA commissioned PricewaterhouseCoopers (PWC) to undertake a national study into the Financial Sustainability of Local Government. This study built upon a number of studies that were conducted by state and territory local government associations. The PWC Report was a vital body of research that underpinned a rigorous assessment of the financial sustainability of councils across Australia. The Report found that up to 30 per cent of councils were facing financial sustainability challenges and recommended a twin track approach (of internal reforms and changes to intergovernmental funding) to addressing some of these problems.

### Financial Assistance Grants

On 9 December 2012 the Commonwealth Treasurer provided Terms of Reference to the Commonwealth Grants Commission for a Review on Improving the Impact of the Financial Assistance Grants on Local Government Financial Sustainability. The Terms of Reference require the Commission to provide a report to the Australian Government by 31 December 2013 on issues such as identifying tangible measures for improving the impact of the Local Government Financial Assistance Grants on the effectiveness of local governments and their ability to provide services to their residents within the current funding envelope, the appropriateness and impacts of FAGs, and identifying any enhancements to the effectiveness of local government through changes to the FAGs distribution process.

### Expenditure Priorities

Over the past 30 years the roles and functions of local government have changed significantly.

In 2001 the Commonwealth Grants Commission (CGC), in a Review of the Operation of the *Local Government (Financial Assistance) Act 1995*, observed that the composition of services provided by local government had changed markedly over the last 30 to 35 years. The CGC noted there had been substantial changes such as a move away from property-based services to human services, a decline in the relative importance of roads, an increase in the relative importance of recreation and culture, and housing and community amenities and an expansion of education, health, welfare and public safety services.

These trends reflect changes in local communities, growing demand and councils' willingness to meet the emerging challenges of their local municipality. The trend was also encouraged by the Commonwealth and State Governments who, over the period, increasingly offered programs to local communities e.g. aged care and children's services, on the

condition of matched funds or limited growth funds. As a consequence, by accepting additional responsibilities without significant new funding for these services, councils were required to change existing priorities and shift funding between existing programs. The trend has been confirmed by the state local government associations which also report that the costs of increased service provision have been met by delaying maintenance and replacement infrastructure activities.

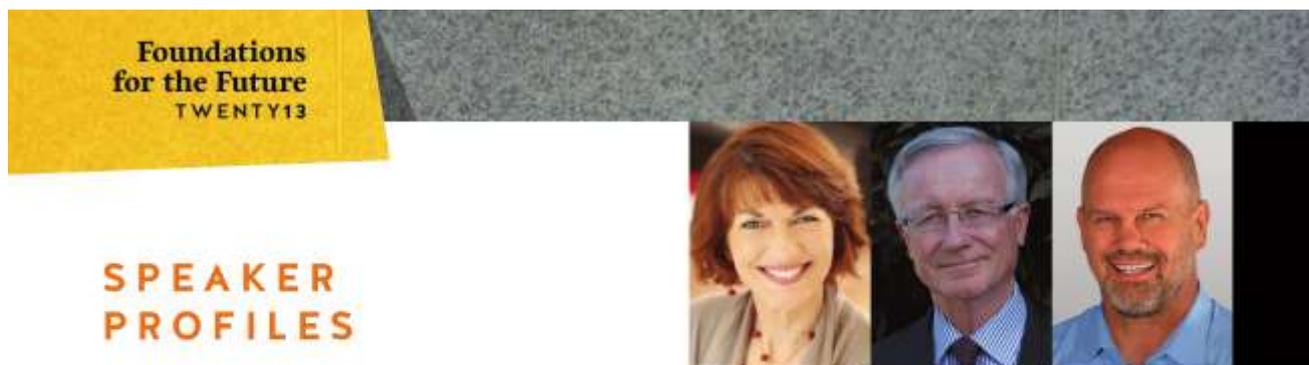
### Constitutional Recognition of Local Government

Since the appointment of a Joint Select Committee on the Constitutional Recognition of Local Government in November 2012, the pace of developments has increased dramatically. ALGA lodged a detailed submission with the committee in December 2012 and a supplementary submission on 31 January 2013 in response to issues raised at a parliamentary committee hearing on 16 January 2013.

The ALGA Board is meeting regularly to determine and drive the agenda. ALGA welcomed the Parliamentary Committee's preliminary report on 24 January 2013 which recommended that the Commonwealth begin all necessary preparatory activities to ensure a successful referendum in 2013. ALGA has indicated strong support for constitutional change as soon as possible to secure continued direct funding. However, we have reiterated our concern about the lack of progress on the preconditions identified for a successful referendum and the short timeframe available for a campaign in 2013.

ALGA wants to make sure that the referendum proceeds when the chances for success are at their best, although we stand ready once the government announces a referendum. The Committee's final report is due in March 2013 and the Government has indicated that it will wait until that time before giving its response on the referendum. ALGA is concerned that the delays and moving timeframes have hampered efforts to finalise arrangements for a referendum and ALGA has redoubled its efforts to seek commitments from both the Government and the Opposition to support the referendum.

Constitutional Recognition remains a priority for the ALGA Board. Given the pace of developments and an expected announcement of the Government's intentions in March/April 2012, we are not seeking council motions on constitutional recognition for this year's NGA. A comprehensive update will be given to delegates at the NGA, based on the responses of the Government, the Opposition and State Premiers to the Committee's final report.



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## SPEAKER PROFILES



### GERALDINE DOOGUE AO

Whilst originally planning a career as a schoolteacher after completing her Arts degree, in 1972 Geraldine applied on an impulse for a journalism cadetship with *The West Australian* instead. Since then she has thrived on that impulsive decision.

Within the first ten years of her career, Geraldine had carved out a reputation in print, television and radio, including two years at the London Bureau working for the Murdoch group's Australian papers.

Her entrance into television was unexpected. Whilst covering a story for *The Australian*, an ABC Television reporter interviewed her for a *Four Corners* program. When the head office executives saw the interview, they were so impressed with her on-camera presence that they offered Geraldine the Perth compere's position for ABC Television's then new program *Nationwide*.

In 1992 Geraldine began presenting *Life Matters*, a new ABC Radio National program which set out to cover the full gamut of social issues in everyday life. In 1998, she also became host of ABC TV's *Compass* program, which looks at issues of spirituality, philosophy and belief every Sunday evening. After 11 years with *Life Matters*, she moved to Saturday mornings to host a program focusing on international politics, Australia's role on the world stage, and business, called *Saturday Extra*.

In 2000 Geraldine was awarded a Churchill Fellowship for social and cultural reporting. In 2003, she was recognised with an Officer in the Order of Australia for services to the community and media. In March 2011, she was awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Letters by her alma mater, the University of Western Australia.

### FRED CHANEY AO

Fred Chaney was born in Perth in 1941. He practised law in New Guinea and Western Australia, including time in-house with the Hancock-Wright prospecting partnership, and subsequent private practice with emphasis on mining related work until he entered the Senate in 1974.

Fred was involved in the Aboriginal Legal Service in a voluntary capacity in the early 1970's. He was a Senator for Western Australia from 1974 to 1990 and was Leader of the Opposition in the Senate from 1983 to 1990. He was Member for Pearce in the House of Representatives from 1990 to 1993. Among his Ministerial appointments were Aboriginal Affairs, Social Security and Minister Assisting the Minister for National Development and Energy.

After leaving Parliament he undertook research into Aboriginal Affairs policy and administration as a Research Fellow with the Graduate School of Management at the University of Western Australia from 1993 to 1995. He was appointed Chancellor of Murdoch University in 1995 and continued in that capacity until 2003.

In 1994 Fred was appointed as a part-time Member of the National Native Title Tribunal, a full-time Member in April 1995 and was Deputy President from 2000 to 2007. In January 1997 he was appointed an Officer of the Order of Australia.

He served as Co-Chair of Reconciliation Australia Ltd from 2000 to 2005 and continues as a Director on the Board. In 2005 he was appointed chairman of Desert Knowledge Australia. In 2007 he chaired the Consultation Committee on a Human Rights Act for Western Australia and in 2011 was a member of the Expert Panel on Constitutional Recognition of Indigenous Australians.

### PETER FITZSIMONS AM

Peter FitzSimons is a well respected columnist for *The Sydney Morning Herald* and *Sun-Herald*, television presenter on *Fox Sports*, speaks four languages, has played rugby for Australia, co-hosted radio shows with Mike Carlton and Doug Mulray, interviewed famous people around the globe from George Bush to Diego Maradona and written eighteen best-selling books. He is the biographer not only of World Cup winning Wallaby captains, Nick Farr-Jones and John Eales, but also former Opposition Leader Kim Beazley, war heroine Nancy Wake and magazine queen, Nene King. In 2001 he was Australia's biggest selling non-fiction author, and duplicated that feat in 2004, with his book on Kokoda.

Born on a farm in Peat's Ridge, Peter went to Knox Grammar School, before accepting an American Field Service Scholarship to go to Ohio for a year. He returned to complete an Arts degree at Sydney University majoring in government and political science. In 1984 he broke into the Wallabies under the coaching of Alan Jones, then lived in France and Italy playing rugby for the next five years whilst learning both languages as well as Spanish. Upon his return to Australia he again played for the Wallabies, under Bob Dwyer, going on to play seven tests.

In 1989 he joined *The Sydney Morning Herald* full-time, and has been one of their most popular columnists since. Andrew Denton has called him "Australia's finest sports journalist."

Peter boasts an impressive list of interview credits including ex-president George Bush, Sir Edmund Hillary, Jodie Foster, Nicki Lauda, Joe Montana and Carl Lewis as well as all the major Australian sporting figures from Shane Gould to Lionel Rose and Allan Border. He has interviewed every Australian Prime Minister from Gough Whitlam through to Kevin Rudd.

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**INVITED**

The Hon Julia Gillard MP  
The Hon Tony Abbott MP

**THE HON SIMON CREAN MP**

**Federal Minister for Regional Australia, Regional Development, Local Government; Federal Minister for the Arts**

Simon Crean is Minister for Regional Australia, Regional Development, Local Government and Minister for the Arts.

Prior to his appointment to these portfolios in September 2010, Mr Crean was Minister for Education, Employment and Workplace Relations from June 2010 to September 2010 and Minister for Trade from December 2007 to June 2010.

Mr Crean has also held a range of Shadow Ministerial positions and was Leader of the Opposition from November 2001 to December 2003.

Following his election to Federal Parliament in March 1990, Mr Crean went to the front bench as Minister for Science and Technology in the Hawke Labor Government and later served as Minister for Primary Industries and Energy and Minister for Employment, Education and Training in the Keating Government.

**SENATOR BARNABY JOYCE**

**Shadow Minister for Regional Development, Local Government and Water; Leader of the Nationals in the Senate**

Barnaby is one of a family of eight from a cattle and sheep business in southern New England. After graduating with a degree in accountancy, Barnaby spent three years with a chartered accountancy firm then a short period with an American multinational in cost accounting before completing five years with a major regional bank.

With a choice between a senior role in banking or starting his own business Barnaby chose the latter and owned and operated Barnaby Joyce and Co for ten years. His role in the National Party had concurrently taken him to Acting Treasurer of the Queensland Nationals. In 2004 he was elected to head of the National Senate team and won back the previously lost Senate seat.

He is the Shadow Minister for Regional Development, Local Government and Water. In that role he developed a policy to provide tax concessions to major infrastructure projects, to help unlock the \$1.4 trillion Australians have invested in superannuation. Barnaby has also developed a policy to revamp Australia's zonal taxation system to provide real incentives for Australians to move to the remote, undeveloped parts of our nation.

**SENATOR CHRISTINE MILNE**

**Senator for Tasmania, Leader of the Australian Greens**

Christine Milne, Senator for Tasmania and Leader of the Australian Greens, is one of Australia's most experienced and respected environmental and community activists with a career spanning 30 years. After leading the successful campaign to protect farming land and fisheries from the Wesley Vale Pulp Mill, Christine was elected to the Tasmanian Parliament in 1989, and became the first woman to lead a political party in Tasmania in 1993. She was elected to the Senate in 2004 and to the Leadership in 2012 following the retirement of Senator Bob Brown.

Christine's vision to address climate change and her unparalleled experience with power-sharing minority governments led to the establishment of the Multi-Party Climate Change Committee and its successful negotiations to design the Clean Energy Future package. The package has placed innovation, opportunity and clean energy at the forefront of the transformation of the Australian economy for the 21st century.

**THE HON WARREN TRUSS MP**

**Leader of the Nationals, Federal Member for Wide Bay, Shadow Minister for Infrastructure and Transport**

Warren Truss is a third generation farmer from the Kumbia District near Kingaroy, Queensland. He entered Federal Parliament in March 1990 as a National Party member representing the electorate of Wide Bay.

Following the Coalition Government's election defeat in 2007, he was elected Federal Parliamentary Leader of The Nationals. He is also Shadow Minister for Infrastructure and Transport.

Mr Truss was a Minister in the Howard Coalition Government for 10 years.

He was appointed Minister for Customs and Consumer Affairs in October 1997, and a year later, Minister for Community Services. In July 1999 he assumed the position of Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, where he served for six years. He became Minister for Transport and Regional Services in July 2005 and in September 2006 Minister for Trade.



## MOTIONS FOR DEBATE

► **The NGA is your opportunity to contribute to the development of national local government policy.**

The ALGA Board is calling for motions for the 2013 NGA under the theme *Foundations for the Future: Twenty 13*. To assist Councils in preparing motions a Discussion Paper has been prepared and is available at [www.alga.asn.au](http://www.alga.asn.au).

To be eligible for inclusion in the NGA Business Papers motions must follow the principles:

1. Fall under the NGA theme;
2. Be relevant to the work of local government nationally; and
3. Complement or build on the policy objectives of state and territory associations.

Motions should be submitted electronically via the online form on the website [www.alga.asn.au](http://www.alga.asn.au) and should be received by ALGA no later than 26 April 2013.

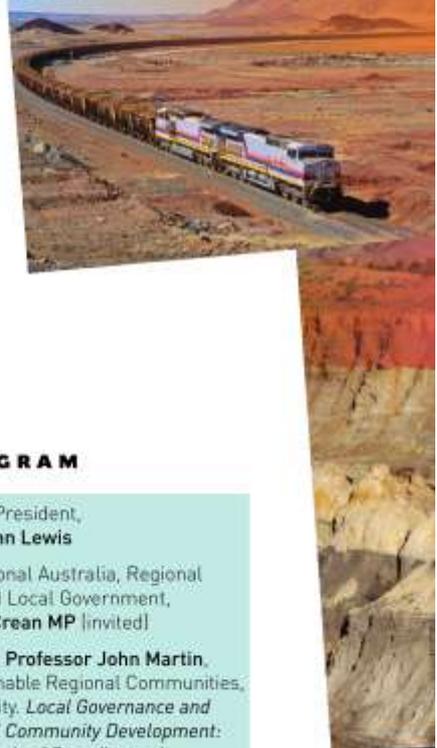
Motions submitted will be reviewed by a committee of the ALGA Board as well as by State and Territory Local Government Associations to determine their eligibility for inclusion in the NGA Business Papers. When reviewing motions, the Committee considers the importance and relevance of the issue to local government.

Please note that motions should not be prescriptive in directing how the matter should be pursued. Any motion deemed to be primarily concerned with local or state issues will be referred to the relevant state/territory local government association, and will not be included in the Business Papers.

Motions that are agreed to at the National General Assembly become Resolutions. These Resolutions are then considered by the ALGA Board when setting national local government policy and when the Board is making representations to the Federal Government at Ministerial Councils, during meetings and in ALGA publications. The ALGA Board is not bound by any resolutions passed at the NGA.



Each council is entitled to one voting delegate in the debating session. Councils will need to determine who their voting delegate will be. Voting cards can be collected at the Assembly. Councils do not need to advise ALGA of the name of the voting delegate prior to collecting voting cards.



REGIONAL COOPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT FORUM

**REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT: IT'S TIME TO INNOVATE**

Sunday 16 June 2013 • National Convention Centre • Canberra

→ Includes the launch of the: *2013-14 State of the Regions Report*

2013 presents significant opportunities for Australia's regions and the local government authorities governing those regions

According to the 2012-13 State of the Regions Report—commissioned by the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) and prepared by National Economics—a new approach to regional development is required in order to address inequality across Australian regions exacerbated by the mining boom and patchwork economy. Local governments need to be involved in decisions concerning Commonwealth investment in regional infrastructure and development.

This year's Regional Cooperation and Development Forum will present the policy findings that build on the work commenced by National Economics in 2012 rethinking regional development. This work will incorporate the latest Census data and also examine the implications of how Australia is dealing with the ever growing threats arising from climate change and natural disasters.

The Forum will continue to allow the sharing of ideas and opportunities through both a mix of academic and practitioner insights, as well as hearing the latest positions from Commonwealth politicians and senior officials, including the Regional Australia Institute.

**PROVISIONAL PROGRAM**

9:30 am	Welcome: ALGA President, <b>Mayor Felicity-ann Lewis</b>
9:35 am	Minister for Regional Australia, Regional Development and Local Government, <b>The Hon Simon Crean MP</b> (invited)
10:00 am	Keynote address: <b>Professor John Martin</b> , Centre for Sustainable Regional Communities, La Trobe University. <i>Local Governance and Sustainable Rural Community Development: A Comparative Study of Canadian and Australian Experiences</i>
10:30 am	MORNING TEA
11:00 pm	State of the Regions Launch: <i>Regional Development: It's Time to Innovate</i>
11:30 pm	Regional Development Australia Update
12:00 pm	LUNCH
1:00 pm	Panel Discussion: <i>Regional implications of managing natural disasters</i>
2:30 pm	AFTERNOON TEA
3:00 pm	Shadow Minister for Regional Development, Local Government and Water, <b>Senator Barnaby Joyce</b> (invited)
3:30 pm	Questions and wrap-up
4:00 pm	CLOSE

▶ Regional Forum Registration is **\$395** (INC GST) or **\$195** when you also register to attend the National General Assembly

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Attachment 1

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## ASSOCIATED EVENTS

### BREAKFAST

#### ICLEI OCEANIA BRIEFING BREAKFAST: 'PATHWAYS TO THRIVING NEIGHBOURHOODS'

▶ MONDAY 17 JUNE 2013  
7.15AM - 8.30AM

Many local governments have been implementing sustainability projects for some years. So what can Australian local governments use that is practical and useful, but also works within the broader sector to develop a joint approach to local sustainability?

Local governments are the sum of their neighbourhoods—and we want them to be thriving! What does a thriving neighbourhood look like? What examples are there, here and around the world? What are the policy and operational steps that we can take to enable our neighbourhoods to thrive?

Bookings are essential on: (03) 9639 8688  
or [oceania@iclei.org](mailto:oceania@iclei.org)

For further information contact:  
Martin Brennan [martin.brennan@iclei.org](mailto:martin.brennan@iclei.org)



### BREAKFAST

#### AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION INC

▶ MONDAY 17 JUNE 2013  
7.30 - 8.30 AM

National Convention Centre, Canberra

Following the overwhelming success of the ALGWA 60th anniversary celebrations in 2011, the ALGWA National President Darriea Turley, invites you to breakfast this year as part of the National General Assembly.

Members, friends and colleges will be warmly welcomed. Seating is limited, so please book early. Register your interest at [www.algwa.net.au](http://www.algwa.net.au)



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## REGISTRATION DETAILS

### General Assembly Registration Fees

<b>REGISTRATION FEES EARLY BIRD</b>	<b>\$899.00</b>
<i>Payment received by Monday 22 April 2013</i>	
<b>REGISTRATION FEES STANDARD</b>	<b>\$999.00</b>
<i>Payment received on or before Friday 31 May 2013</i>	
<b>REGISTRATION FEES LATE</b>	<b>\$1,200.00</b>
<i>Payment received after Friday 31 May 2013</i>	

#### GENERAL ASSEMBLY REGISTRATION INCLUDES

- Attendance at all General Assembly sessions
- Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea as per the General Assembly program
- One ticket to the Welcome Drinks, Sunday
- General Assembly satchel and materials

#### DAY REGISTRATION FEES

<b>MONDAY 17 JUNE 2013</b>	<b>\$470.00</b>
<b>TUESDAY 18 JUNE 2013</b>	<b>\$470.00</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY 19 JUNE 2013</b>	<b>\$260.00</b>

#### DAY REGISTRATION INCLUDES

- Attendance at all General Assembly sessions on the day of registration
- Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea as per the General Assembly program on that day
- General Assembly satchel and materials

### Accompanying Partners Registration Fees

<b>ACCOMPANYING PARTNERS REGISTRATION FEE</b>	<b>\$240.00</b>
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#### ACCOMPANYING PARTNERS REGISTRATION INCLUDES

- 1 ticket to the Welcome Reception, Sunday 16 June
- Day tour Monday 17 June
- Day tour Tuesday 18 June
- Lunch with General Assembly Delegates on Wednesday 19 June

### Sunday Regional Development Forum SUNDAY 16 JUNE 2013

<b>FORUM ONLY</b>	<b>\$395.00</b>
<b>NGA DELEGATE</b>	<b>\$195.00</b>

#### Payment Procedures

Payment can be made by:

- Credit card – MasterCard, Visa and American Express
- Cheque made payable to ALGA
- Electronic Funds Transfer: Bank: Commonwealth Branch: Curtin BSB No: 062905 Account No: 10097760. Note if paying via EFT you must quote your transaction reference number on the registration form.

#### Cancellation Policy

All alterations or cancellations to your registration must be made in writing and will be acknowledged by post, facsimile or email. Notification should be sent to:

Conference Co-ordinators  
PO Box 139, CALWELL ACT 2905  
Facsimile (02) 6292 9002  
Email [conference@confco.com.au](mailto:conference@confco.com.au)

An administration charge of \$110.00 will be made to any participant cancelling before Monday 22 April 2013. Cancellations received after Monday 22 April 2013 will be required to pay full registration fees. However, if you are unable to attend, substitutes are welcome at no additional cost.

By submitting your registration you agree to the terms of the cancellation policy.

#### Privacy Disclosure

ALGA collects your personal contact information in its role as a peak body for local government. ALGA may disclose your personal contact information to the sponsors of the event for the purposes of commercial business opportunities. If you consent to ALGA using and disclosing your personal contact information in this way, please tick the appropriate box on the registration form.

Importantly, your name may also be included in the General Assembly List of Participants. You must tick the appropriate box on the registration form if you wish your name to appear in this list.

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## SOCIAL FUNCTIONS

### Welcome Reception and Exhibition Opening

SUNDAY 16 JUNE 2013

#### National Convention Centre

5:00–7:00 pm

\$44.00 per person for day delegates and guests

No charge for full registered delegates

No charge for registered accompanying partners

DRESS CODE smart casual

### Buffet Dinner

MONDAY 17 JUNE 2013

#### The Ballroom, National Convention Centre

7:00–11:00 pm

\$100.00 per person

DRESS CODE smart casual

Coaches will depart Assembly hotels (Except Crowne Plaza) at approximately 6:45 pm with return shuttles commencing from 10:15 pm.

### General Assembly Dinner

TUESDAY 18 JUNE 2013

#### The Great Hall, Parliament House

7:00–11:00 pm

\$130 per person

DRESS CODE lounge suit/collar and tie for men and cocktail style for women

Tickets to the prestigious General Assembly Annual Dinner at Parliament House are always highly sought after. Due to the size of the Great Hall places are limited and therefore booking early is highly recommended to ensure your place.

Coaches will depart all Assembly hotels at approximately 6:45pm with return shuttles commencing from 10:30pm.

Note: Bookings are accepted in order of receipt.

## CANBERRA WEATHER IN JUNE



Winter days in Canberra are characterised by clear sunny skies but the days are cool at around 12–15°C and temperatures do drop to 1°C on average in the evenings, so be sure to bring a warm jacket. Mornings can be foggy so keep this in mind when booking flights. It is best to avoid early arrivals or departures in case of delays due to fog.

## VENUE + DRESS CODE

### Exhibition Opening and Welcome Reception

VENUE National Convention Centre, Constitution Ave, Canberra City

DRESS CODE Smart casual

### General Assembly Business Sessions

VENUE National Convention Centre, Constitution Ave, Canberra City

All plenary sessions will be held in the Royal Theatre at the National Convention Centre

DRESS CODE Smart casual

### Exhibition

VENUE National Convention Centre, Constitution Ave, Canberra City

The exhibition is being held in the Exhibition Hall of the National Convention Centre.

DRESS CODE Smart casual

### Buffet Dinner

VENUE The dinner is being held in the Ballroom at the National Convention Centre.

DRESS CODE Smart casual

### General Assembly Dinner

VENUE Parliament House

The General Assembly Dinner is being held in the Great Hall.

DRESS CODE Lounge suit/collar and tie for men and cocktail style for women



#### DINNER ENTERTAINMENT

Melbourne based a cappella group, **Suade**, will entertain and delight delegates

Suade has performed extensively around Australia at festivals, concerts, workshops and masterclasses, and has represented the country regularly overseas. Suade first started back in 1998 as a group of high school buddies singing barbershop tunes and over the next decade and a half, the group has developed into Australia's undisputed #1 male a cappella group, with a huge vocal sound, an energetic stage performance and a downright wicked sense of humour.

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## PARTNER'S PROGRAM

### DAY 1 MANNING CLARK HOUSE AND 'TURNER FROM THE TATE'

#### MANNING CLARK HOUSE

Manning Clark House is one of Canberra's most historically significant homes. The roof-top study is where the six volumes of "A History of Australia" and his other works were written.

Designed by Robin Boyd in 1952, the house is where Manning and Dymphna Clark lived and worked from 1953 until their deaths in 1991 and 2000 respectively. Inside Manning Clark's unique library of 10,000 volumes lines many of the walls. Dymphna Clark's collection of texts in many European languages reminds us of her scholarly translations and linguistic interests.

The piano Manning Clark played stands in a corner of the sitting room, and his records and player line a wall of the dining room dominated by the 1972 portrait of Manning Clark by Arthur Boyd. Outside, the tall trees and the lawns designed for bat and ball tell us of some of the family's interests. All this remains as it has for nearly fifty years, the scene of so much significant personal and professional scholarship and activity.

#### 'TURNER FROM THE TATE'

The Turner Exhibition at the National Gallery is one of the most important exhibitions to visit Australia in 2013. J. M. W. Turner (1775-1851) is one of Britain's greatest artists and a key figure of the Romantic generation. "Turner from the Tate" includes many of the artist's most famous paintings. It provides a comprehensive overview of Turner's monumental landscapes and atmospheric, light-filled seascapes, while offering extraordinary insights into his working life and practices.

### DAY 2 FROM GARDENS AND FLOWERS TO ENDANGERED FORESTS

#### THE EMBASSY PRECINCT

Canberra is home to nearly 100 embassies and high commissions. The most established and stunning diplomatic residences are in Yarralumla. This morning's tour will take you on a leisurely drive to view the traditional gardens and modern architecture of the most significant diplomatic posts. You'll pass the spectacular traditional design of the Chinese Embassy and the long-house style of the High Commission of Papua New Guinea. You'll view the Mexican Embassy's giant shingle roof and the United States Embassy built in a modified Georgian style. The traditional Cape Dutch style architecture of the South Africa High Commission contrasts with the striking design of the Thai Embassy Royal. A tour to one of the Embassies will also be included.

#### NATIONAL ARBORETUM CANBERRA

From there you will travel to Australia's newest national iconic attraction, the \$70m National Arboretum Canberra. Home to 100 of the world's most endangered and significant trees, the 250 hectare site also boasts one of the most striking visitors centre's in the country. It is here you will enjoy a superb luncheon whilst appreciating the breathtaking views of Australia's national capital.

## ACCOMMODATION

- ▶ To book your accommodation at the rates listed below complete the appropriate section of the registration form. Bookings are subject to availability and should be made prior to Friday 17 May 2013.

All cancellations or amendments must be made in writing to Conference Co-ordinators and will be acknowledged by facsimile or email.

Please note your credit card details are required to guarantee your room. Neither Conference Co-ordinators nor the hotel will make any charges against your credit card unless you fail to give 21 days notice in writing of your cancellation. Full payment of your account will be required at the time of your departure.

#### CROWNE PLAZA

1 Binara Street, Canberra

Renovated in 2007 the Crowne Plaza is adjacent to the Convention Centre and only a short walk from restaurants, bars and the main shopping district. Featuring a contemporary design, the Crowne Plaza provides guests with an outdoor pool, sauna, health/fitness centre, 24-hour reception, Concierge, undercover parking and onsite dining at the RedSalt Restaurant. All rooms are non-smoking and include iron/ironing board, tea/coffee making facilities, hairdryer and Room Service is available.

Superior King Room: **\$295** per night single/twin/double  
Deluxe King Room: **\$345** per night single/twin/double

#### WALDORF

2 Akuna Street, Canberra

Located in the heart of Canberra's CBD, the Waldorf is only a four minute walk from the National Convention Centre. This hotel has 24-hour reception and provides guests with a gymnasium, indoor heated lap pool and onsite dining at the Waldorf London Restaurant. All rooms have kitchen and laundry facilities, in room safe, dining table and chairs, complimentary cable TV, pay per view movies, high speed internet service (for a fee) and Room Service is available. One bedroom apartments also offer a separate lounge/dining area.

Studio Room: **\$210** per night single  
Studio Room: **\$225** per night twin/double  
One Bedroom apartment: **\$230** per night single  
One Bedroom apartment: **\$245** per night twin/double

#### DIAMANT

15 Edinburgh Place, Canberra

Opened in June 2008 this boutique 80 room hotel is located at the intersection of Marcus Clarke and Edinburgh Ave, 15-20 minutes walk from the Convention Centre. The Diamant Hotel features 24-hour reception, a restaurant and a bar. The rooms have a mini bar, tea/coffee making facilities, plasma TV, CD and DVD players, broadband (for a fee), and in-room safe.

Standard Room: **\$270** per night single/twin/double

ACCOMMODATION CONTINUES OVER THE PAGE

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### HOTEL REALM

18 National Circuit, Barton

Hotel Realm is one of Canberra's 5-star hotels and is located walking distance from the popular shopping and restaurant villages of Kingston and Manuka. Hotel Realm has two restaurants and a bar, a Day Spa, Hairdresser and Health Club located on-site. The rooms are modern and have king sized beds, high speed internet (for a fee) LCD TV, pay movie channel, Foxtel and 24-hour room service.

Standard Room: **\$265** per night single/twin/double

### MANTRA

84 Northbourne Avenue, Canberra

Mantra on Northbourne (formerly the Saville) offers stylish accommodation centrally located approximately a ten minute walk from the National Convention Centre. The hotel features a heated indoor pool, sauna, fully-equipped gymnasium and the Zipp restaurant bar on site. All rooms offer voice mail, individually controlled air-conditioning, pay per view movies, mini bar, tea/coffee making facilities, hairdryer and complimentary toiletries. One and two bedroom apartments also offer a separate lounge and dining area, fully-equipped kitchen and a laundry with washing machine, dryer, iron and ironing board.

Hotel Room: **\$209** per night single/twin/double

One bedroom apartment: **\$249** per night single/twin/double

### MEDINA EXECUTIVE JAMES COURT

74 Northbourne Avenue, Canberra

The Medina Executive James Court is approximately a seven minute walk from the National Convention Centre and is close to cafes, restaurants, gyms and shopping. The hotel offers reception, undercover parking, outdoor heated swimming pool, sauna, gymnasium and a restaurant delivery service. All rooms feature private balconies, climate controlled air conditioning, separate lounge/dining areas, broadband access (for a fee), spa bath, mini bar, fully equipped kitchen facilities and an in-room safe.

Note: Reception operates between the hours of 6.30 am and 11.30 pm.

One bedroom apartment: **\$200** per night single/twin/double

Two bedroom apartment: **\$250** per night single/twin/double

### RYDGES LAKESIDE

1 London Circuit, Canberra

Over the last two years the area surrounding Rydges Lakeside has undergone major changes with office developments, apartments, bars and restaurants opening. Rydges Lakeside is a 15-20 minute walk to the National Convention Centre. This property has 24-hour reception, room service and two on site restaurants. All rooms have balconies and offer high speed internet (for a fee), pay per view movies, mini bar, hairdryer, iron and ironing board.

Note: This hotel has an absolute no-smoking policy.

Standard Room: **\$249** per night single/twin/double

### CLIFTON SUITES

100 Northbourne Avenue

Quality Clifton Suites is approximately a 30 minute walk from the Convention Centre and is located on Northbourne Avenue. The property has an onsite pool, gymnasium and restaurant. All the rooms have reverse cycle heating and air conditioning, fully equipped kitchen, movies on demand, washing machine, dryer and a private balcony.

One bedroom apartment: **\$240** per night single/twin/double

## COACH TRANSFERS

### Welcome Reception and Exhibition Opening Sunday 16 June 2013

Coaches will collect delegates from all General Assembly hotels (except Crowne Plaza Canberra) at approximately 4:45 pm. The return coaches will depart at 7:00 pm.

### Daily Shuttles to and from the National Convention Centre

A shuttle service between all General Assembly hotels (except Crowne Plaza Canberra) and the National Convention Centre will operate between 8:00 am and 8:30 am. Return shuttles will depart the National Convention Centre at 5:30 pm.

### Buffet Dinner • National Convention Centre Monday 17 June 2013

Coaches will collect delegates from all General Assembly hotels (except Crowne Plaza Canberra) at approximately 6:45 pm. A return shuttle service will commence at 10:15 pm.

### General Assembly Annual Dinner Parliament House • Tuesday 18 June 2013

Coaches will collect delegates from all General Assembly hotels (INCLUDING Crowne Plaza Canberra) at approximately 6:45 pm. A return shuttle service will operate between 10:30 pm and 11:45 pm.

## CAR PARKING

Parking for delegates is available underneath the National Convention Centre for a cost of approximately \$16.00 per day. Alternatively, voucher public parking is available across the road at a cost of approximately \$13.00 per day. The voucher machines are coin operated.

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Registration Form

REGISTER ONLINE [www.alga.asn.au](http://www.alga.asn.au)

Multiple delegates - photocopy form  
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 Conference Co-ordinators  
 PO Box 191 CALWELL ACT 2905  
 Phone (02) 6292 9000  
 Fax (02) 6292 9502  
 Email [conference@alga.asn.au](mailto:conference@alga.asn.au)  
 By submitting your registration you agree to the terms and conditions of the cancellation policy

PERSONAL DETAILS

TITLE \_\_\_\_\_ NAME \_\_\_\_\_ SURNAME \_\_\_\_\_  
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HOW DID YOU FIND OUT ABOUT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY?  ALGA  STATE/TERRITORY ASSOCIATION  COUNCIL  OTHER: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please tick!

PRIVACY DISCLOSURE  I DO consent to my name appearing in the 2013 General Assembly List of Participants booklet (name, organisation & state only disclosed) as outlined in the privacy disclosure on page 11.  
 I DO consent to ALGA disclosing my personal contact information as outlined in the privacy disclosure on page 11.

REGISTRATION FEES

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY REGISTRATION FEES**  
 PLEASE NOTE registration does NOT include attendance at the Regional Cooperation and Development Forum

**EARLY BIRD** Registration Fees (payment received on or before 22 April 2013) \$899.00   
**STANDARD** Registration Fees (payment received on or before 31 May 2013) \$999.00   
**LATE** Registration Fees (payment received after 31 May 2013) \$1,200.00   
**DAY** Registration Fees Monday 17 June \$470.00  Tuesday 18 June \$470.00  Wednesday 19 June \$260.00

**REGIONAL CO-OPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT FORUM REGISTRATION FEES**

**REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT FORUM ONLY** Registration Fee \$395.00   
**GENERAL ASSEMBLY DELEGATE** Registration Fee \$195.00   
**STATE OF THE REGIONS REPORT 2013-14** [Single licence] \$250.00   
**STATE OF THE REGIONS REPORT 2013-14** [Organisational licence] \$700.00

**ACCOMPANYING PARTNERS REGISTRATION FEES**  
**REGISTERED ACCOMPANYING PARTNER'S** name for lapel badge: \_\_\_\_\_ \$240.00

SOCIAL FUNCTIONS INCLUDED IN FEES

One ticket to each of the following functions is included in the full General Assembly registration and/or accompanying partners registration fee. Please confirm if you will be attending by placing a tick in the appropriate boxes. To purchase additional tickets to any of the following functions please indicate the number required and complete the total amount payable.

**REGISTERED DELEGATES AND PARTNERS**

**WELCOME RECEPTION AND EXHIBITION OPENING** [Sunday 16 June 2013]  
 I/we will attend: Delegate  Partner  Number of additional tickets  @ \$44.00 each Total \$

**REGISTERED PARTNERS**

**DAY 1 • MANNING CLARK HOUSE AND 'TURNER FROM THE TATE'** (Monday 17 June 2013)  
 I will attend: Partner  Number of additional tickets  @ \$100.00 each Total \$

**DAY 2 • FROM GARDENS AND FLOWERS TO ENDANGERED FORESTS** (Tuesday 18 June 2013)  
 I will attend: Partner  Number of additional tickets  @ \$100.00 each Total \$

Registration form continues over the page





## ORDINARY COUNCIL

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**SUBJECT: PROPOSED REMOVAL OF POPLARS WITHIN HICKSON CIRCUIT, HARRINGTON PARK**

**FROM:** Director Works & Services

**BINDER:** ESD/Parks and Reserves/Horticultural Services/Street Trees

### PURPOSE OF REPORT

To advise Council of requests received from residents of Hickson Circuit, Harrington Park, to remove and replace 15 White Poplar (*Populus alba*) trees within the road median. This report also seeks to revote \$10,000 from the 2012/2013 Street Tree Planting program to the 2013/2014 budget to undertake the proposed works.

### BACKGROUND

It is understood that the original selection (as part of the residential subdivision) of the White Poplar (*Populus alba*) trees in the median of Hickson Circuit, Harrington Park, was designed to establish a rural character, enhance the sense of place, and blend in with the heritage aspects of the Harrington Park Homestead located nearby. It is also estimated that these trees were planted in 2002/03.

Hickson Circuit, Harrington Park is a well established neighbourhood within the Camden Local Government Area (LGA), with all associated structural elements that accompany urban environments such as driveways, stormwater and sewer pipes, brick retaining walls and garden edging.

On 13 October 2009 Council resolved to remove thirty one (31) Lombardy Poplar (*Populus nigra var. Italica*) from Hickson Circuit and Bailey Court Harrington Park due to concerns raised by residents including damage to property, public liability, nuisance, invasive root system (including suckers) and amenity.

Tree root growth is opportunistic, meaning they take the path of least resistance and that which is most favourable. Within close proximity to the base of the tree, there is the large structural woody root system which is known as 'first order roots'. They aid in storage and anchorage of the tree.

Towards the edge of the canopy and beyond, the secondary root system has some minor woody roots with a mat of fibrous tissue that aids in the uptake of nutrients, water and additional storage of sugars and starch.

The secondary root system can travel up to five (5) to eight (8) times the height of the tree. This however, generally occurs in ideal conditions such as parks and reserves and in high quality soil conditions.

### MAIN REPORT

Several residents of Hickson Circuit have raised concerns regarding fifteen White Poplar (*Populus alba*) trees located within the median in Hickson Circuit, Harrington Park. These concerns relate to:

- alleged damage to driveways resulting from root growth;



- protruding roots and new plants shooting on grass frontages;
- potential for root growth to impact foundations; and
- potential for water and/or sewerage problems.

Given the residents concerns regarding the fifteen White Poplar trees within Hickson Circuit, Council Officers have considered a number of options including:

- Option 1: Retain the trees and treat each customer request individually;
- Option 2: Retain the trees and install root barriers to affected properties; and
- Option 3: Remove the trees and replace with a more suitable species.

Based on the estimated costs to undertake the works and the likely outcomes that will be achieved, Option 3 has been identified as the preferred long term solution. These works have been estimated at \$20,100 and removing and replacing these trees will also limit potential damage to the adjacent road and drainage system in the future.

A letter dated 12 February 2013 was sent to 24 residents in Hickson Circuit seeking their feedback regarding Council's preferred option. A number of responses (included in the **Supporting Document**) were received as follows:

- a. sixteen (16) signatories from residents of Hickson Circuit supporting option 3;
- b. two (2) residents corresponded separately also supporting option 3,
- c. one (1) resident opposing the removal of any trees in Hickson Circuit; and
- d. seven (7) residents did not respond.

The objection received to the proposed removal of the trees noted that the resident had not observed evidence of the damage suggested and that the trees add to the amenity of the streetscape. However the concerns raised by the majority of the residents are illustrated in **Attachment 2**.

Council Officers have confirmed that this area is not subject to either State or Local provisions in relation to heritage. It is however noted, that the intent of the plantings along this street needs to be kept in mind. In this regard it is proposed to replace the existing White Poplar trees with Pin Oaks (*Quercus palustris*) or similar, as shown in **Attachment 3**. The replacement trees will be a minimum 100 litres in size and approximately 2 to 2.5 metres in height when planted.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The cost of the work is estimated at \$20,100. Due to the need to poison the trees prior to removal, the majority of the work will be completed in the 2013/2014 financial year. It is therefore proposed, to revote \$10,000 from the 2012/2013 Street Tree Planting Program budget to the 2013/2014 budget, in order to carry out these works.

### **CONCLUSION**

Council has undertaken an investigation and consulted with residents of Hickson Circuit, Harrington Park regarding fifteen (15) White Poplar (*Populus alba*) trees planted within the median of Hickson Circuit.

Council Officers have considered a number of options including:

- Option 1: Retain the trees and treat each customer request individually;
- Option 2: Retain the trees and install root barriers to affected properties; and



- Option 3: Remove the trees and replace with an alternate species.

Based on the estimated costs to undertake the works and the likely outcomes that will be achieved, Option 3 has been identified as the preferred long term solution. These works have been estimated at \$20,100. Removing and replacing these trees will also limit potential damage to the adjacent roads and drainage system in the future.

Feedback sought from affected residents shows that the majority of residents are in support of Council's proposed action.

### **RECOMMENDED**

#### **That Council:**

- i. approve the removal of fifteen (15) White Poplar (*Populus alba*) trees from within the median of Hickson Circuit, Harrington Park;**
- ii. approve the replacement of Pin Oaks (*Quercus palustris*) or similar;**
- iii. revoke \$10,000 from the 2012/2013 Street Tree Planting Program budget for the 2013/14 financial year; and**
- iv. contact the residents of Hickson Circuit to inform them of the works program.**

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Resident Feedback - Poplar Trees - Hickson Circuit - *Supporting Document*
2. Existing Species - Hickson Circuit, Harrington Park
3. Replacement Species - Hickson Circuit, Harrington Park

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Attachment 2



Avenue of White Poplars within the median of Hickson Circuit, Harrington Park



Young shoot coming up in the garden bed of No. 19 Hickson Circuit, Harrington Park



Root barrier trialled at No 20 Hickson Circuit, Harrington Park



Young shoot coming up house side of the root barrier at No 20 Hickson Circuit, Harrington Park

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Proposed replacement species for Hickson Circuit, Harrington Park.

Example below located within The Boulevard, Harrington Park



Pin Oak (*Quercus palustris*)

Attachment 3



## ORDINARY COUNCIL

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**SUBJECT: MACARTHUR PARK - PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS AND FAMILY EVENT AS PART OF CAMDEN FESTIVAL**

**FROM:** Director Works & Services

**BINDER:** Community Events

### PURPOSE OF REPORT

To propose that Council recognise the centenary of the rotunda at Macarthur Park and to seek approval for expenditure on improvements to the rotunda and park, as well as seeking support to hold a family event which will coincide with the opening weekend of the Camden Festival.

### BACKGROUND

Macarthur Park was a gift to the Camden Municipality from Mrs Elizabeth Macarthur Onslow in 1905. It was opened on 10 October 1906 by the donor.

The rotunda building was erected in memory of Mrs Macarthur Onslow and opened on 19 June 1913.

Being the centenary year of the rotunda, it is appropriate to recognise this milestone. To do this, it is proposed that Council undertake improvements to the building and park and have a family event which will coincide with the opening weekend of the Camden Festival.

### MAIN REPORT

A number of areas of the park have been identified as requiring improvements.

The rotunda itself requires the following works:

- repainting of the timber framing
- repairs and cleaning to the brickwork
- replacement of the picnic tables (or at least the table tops)
- replacement of damaged and missing roof tiles
- cleaning and repointing of the roof tiles
- repairs to the surrounding paths

The concrete floor which is currently painted red is in very poor condition with a number of cracks which are unsightly. The condition of the floor has a significant impact on the impression visitors get when entering the rotunda. The floor should be repaired and there is an opportunity to lift the appearance of the rotunda by providing new tiling in a style and colours that are sympathetic to the heritage nature of the building.

Other works proposed include:

- placement of new turf alongside the path between the pistachio trees (this would best done during Spring and most likely after the proposed family event);
- removal of damaged and unsightly stepping stones between the rotunda and the playground. An uninterrupted grass area is seen as an improvement; and
- repairs to damaged stone retaining walls.



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The rose gardens are in need of attention and could be improved with the addition of some new plantings. It is proposed that a floral display be provided in the existing garden beds adjacent to the rotunda, to lift the appearance of this area in preparation for the centenary event.

Council at present does not hold any annual events in Macarthur Park and there is an opportunity, with the centenary of the Rotunda to commemorate this occurrence with a family event which is proposed for Sunday 8 September 2013.

The Camden Festival is held annually in September and runs over three weekends. Currently there isn't an event to open the festival and a family oriented event at Macarthur Park with such history and with its prime location and features, could be the start of a new addition that the residents of Camden can enjoy. The event will be branded as a 'Picnic in the Park' with features to cater to all ages. A floral display would assist in the delivery of the event and could include but not be limited to talks and tours of this display.

If the event proves successful, Council may wish to consider the "Picnic in the Park" as an ongoing event which will kick start the Camden Festival.

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Funding of \$58,900 has been identified as available within existing 2012/13 Council budgets which could be utilised for the renewal and improvement works detailed in the report. The breakdown of this funding is as detailed below.

\$18,900 is available from recurrent building maintenance, parks embellishment and parks equipment repairs and replacement budgets.

Savings of \$25,000 have been achieved from the CIRP budget for the Camden Civic Centre air conditioning upgrade. These savings, together with the above funding could be directed to the capital renewal works identified at Macarthur Park. (CIRP funds are Council's Community Infrastructure Renewal funds generated by the Special Rate Variation).

Council has an annual allocation of \$15,000 from General Fund which is intended for infrastructure upgrades which will promote tourism in the Camden area. The 2012/13 funds are currently unspent. It is considered that the proposed tiling of the rotunda floor to improve the overall appearance of the rotunda and the initial floral display, would be an appropriate use of these funds.

All of the works identified in the report will not be completed by 30 June 2013 and therefore any remaining balance of unspent funds will need to be revoted to the 2013/14 financial year.

A budget allocation of \$5,000 would be required in the 2013/14 budget to fund the event costs. The Camden Festival budget is fully committed to the current schedule of events. The \$5,000 budget will cover event equipment hire including but not limited to, a stage and cover, marquees, chairs and tables, sound equipment, a jumping castle and face painting, stallholders, event promotion and signage, first aid and waste management.



## **CONCLUSION**

Macarthur Park is an important community asset and has significant historical value. The centenary of the rotunda is a milestone which should be commemorated to recognise Mrs Elizabeth Macarthur Onslow as the donor of the park to the community. A family event in the park is an ideal way to celebrate the centenary which can coincide with the opening weekend of the Camden Festival. Council has the opportunity to revitalise areas within Macarthur Park, particularly the rotunda, in preparation for the centenary event.

## **RECOMMENDED**

**That Council:**

- i. endorse the commemoration of the centenary of the rotunda in Macarthur Park by hosting a family event, being a “Picnic in the Park” to coincide with the opening weekend of the Camden Festival;**
- ii. consider the “Picnic in the Park” as a future annual event as part of the Camden Festival dependant on the success of the event which will be reported to Council at a later date;**
- iii. allocate \$5,000 to the 2013/14 operational budget for event costs;**
- iv. authorise use of \$25,000 CIRP funds saved on the Camden Civic Centre air conditioning upgrade, for capital renewal works identified as required at Macarthur Park;**
- v. authorise use of the current 2012/13 tourism infrastructure budget of \$15,000 for the proposed tiling of the rotunda floor to improve the overall appearance of the rotunda and the initial 2013 floral display; and**
- vi. authorise any unspent funds in the above 2012/13 budgets to be revoted to the 2013/14 operational budget.**



ORD05

## ORDINARY COUNCIL

ORD05

**SUBJECT:** DRAFT MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR AUSTRALIAN WHITE IBIS, LAKE ANNAN, MOUNT ANNAN  
**FROM:** Director Works & Services  
**BINDER:** Environmental Management \ Natural Resources \ Natural Resources Management

### PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's endorsement to adopt the existing *Draft Management Plan for Australian White Ibis (Threskiornis molucca), Lake Annan, Mount Annan NSW January 2013 (copy attached)*.

### BACKGROUND

At the meeting of 29 January 2013, Council resolved to publicly exhibit the *Draft Management Plan for Australian White Ibis (Threskiornis molucca), Lake Annan, Mount Annan NSW January 2013*.

The public exhibition period is now complete and the outcome is able to be reported.

### MAIN REPORT

Council advertised in the local newspaper and on Council's website, advising the public that the *Draft Management Plan* was available for public exhibition and could be viewed at the following locations;

- Council's Customer Services Area in Camden and Narellan;
- Camden and Narellan Public Libraries; and
- Council's website.

In addition, a copy of the *Draft Management Plan* was forwarded to the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Services Nattai Ranger for the Metropolitan South West Region, for review and comment. At the close of the 28 day exhibition period no written submissions were received.

The management strategies contained within the *Draft Management Plan* are not confined to managing Ibis on Lake Annan Island. They can be adapted where appropriate, and implemented to manage Ibis throughout the Camden LGA. *The Draft Management Plan* will continue to be updated as new management strategies become available.

### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council currently provides a recurrent budget of \$10,000 to implement the management actions identified in the *Draft Management Plan*.



## **CONCLUSION**

The *Draft Management Plan* has been exhibited for 28 days and no written submissions have been received.

The *Draft Management Plan* is now able to be referred to Council, with a recommendation for adoption.

## **RECOMMENDED**

**That Council:**

- i. endorse the adoption of the *Draft Management Plan*; and**
- ii. acknowledge that the *Draft Management Plan* is a living document and that the management strategies can be modified within legislative requirements accordingly and applied throughout the Camden LGA.**

## **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Lake Annan Ibis Management Plan

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Attachment 1

**Management Plan for Australian White  
Ibis (*Threskiornis molucca*)  
Lake Annan, Mount Annan NSW  
January 2013**

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## Executive Summary

Camden Council has developed this Management Plan for Australian White Ibis at Lake Annan, Mount Annan to assist with meeting legislative requirements for managing a native species in an urban area and simultaneously demonstrating responsible and ethical environmental management which is conducted strategically and sustainably.

Australian White Ibis (AWI) is a common native Australian species protected in New South Wales (NSW) under the NSW *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974*. The eastern seaboard of Australia is considered an important refuge for ibis populations displaced from traditional inland breeding sites through years of drought and ecologically damaging water management practices. Where local government authorities, private organisations or landholders determine the need to manage breeding AWI colonies, a Section 121 Occupier's Licence to Harm Fauna in NSW must be obtained from NSW National Parks & Wildlife Service (NPWS).

Since 2004, AWI have expanded their roosting and nesting sites in the Sydney Region. By late 2007, Lake Gillawarna at Georges Hall and Lake Annan were the number 1 and 2 AWI sites respectively in Sydney for breeding and roosting. The large number of AWI in urban areas has affected public amenity, aircraft safety, water quality and biodiversity, prompting complaints and the need for management of AWI in the Sydney Region.

During 2009/10 Camden Council participated in the AWI Regional Task Force together with the NSW NPWS and Bankstown City Council for the development of the Sydney Regional Ibis Management Plan. This document is now complete and is considered a working draft plan awaiting adoption or endorsement from the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH)

The Working Draft Sydney Regional Ibis Management Plan identifies colonies of 3 sizes and applies different management strategies and licensing requirements for each. A NPWS licence is required before any intervention can be undertaken. In order to obtain a licence for colonies over 50 birds, the landowner must submit a detailed site management plan with the application.

This plan identifies the site management objectives and makes recommendations for active management of the AWI population at Lake Annan.

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## 1 Introduction

Prior to July 2006, Australian White Ibis (AWI) roosted on Lake Annan Island in numbers smaller than 20 birds. It was at this time following a population explosion, that a number of local residents expressed concern at the increasing number of AWI and active management strategies of the Ibis commenced.

At the time of population increase, developers of Mount Annan, Landcom, contracted consultants Ecosure to undertake population counts at both Lake Annan and Jacks Gully Waste Facility from June 2006 to June 2009. Ecosure estimated there was population high of 1338 AWI in December 2007. Jacks Gully became a covered Waste Facility in late 2008, and the landfill was closed to putrescibles waste in 2009.

Eastern Creek is another waste facility that Ibis are frequently observed foraging at. This facility will cease accepting untreated putrescible waste by the end of June 2017. It is expected that this would also result in fewer Ibis being present.

The AWI population at Jacks Gully dropped from a high of 400 to averages of 20 to 60 birds following the closure of the landfill. The AWI population at Lake Annan has also correspondingly dropped during this period, but stabilised over the last two years to approximately 700 birds. AWI generally breed from July to February, however in 2012 they were observed breeding in May. Depending on the availability of food and nesting resources this species has the potential to breed all year round (OEH per. comm. 2012).

In 2008 a National Ibis Conference was held in Sydney and it was resolved that NPWS would coordinate the development of a Sydney Regional Management Plan for AWI to guide the actions of landholders such as local councils.

In 2009, Camden Council participated in a Sydney Regional Forum for AWI and provided input into the development of the Sydney Regional Ibis Plan. This is now complete and is considered a "Working Draft Plan" awaiting adoption or endorsement from the NSW OEH.

The Working Draft Sydney Regional Ibis Management Plan identifies colonies of 3 sizes and applies different management strategies for each.

<b>AWI Colony definition</b>	<b>Licence requirements for active management</b>
Small colonies (less than 50 individuals)	An Australian White Ibis General (120) or Occupiers (121) Licence Application must be lodged
Medium to large colonies (greater than 50 individuals)	An Australian White Ibis General (120) or Occupiers (121) Licence Application must be lodged accompanied by a Site Management Plan
Refuge colonies (proposed Lake Annan, Lake Gillawarna, Bicentennial Park and Centennial Park)	An Australian White Ibis General (120) or Occupiers (121) Licence Application must be lodged accompanied by a Site Management Plan, which indicates that at least 50% of active nests will be left undisturbed.

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The Working Draft identifies that a Sydney wide population of at least 6,500 individuals be maintained. If the population falls below this number the enforced level of protection may be increased (i.e. 75% of nests at refuge colonies to be left undisturbed).

**Attachment 1**

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## 2 Lake Annan

### 2.1 Site Description

Lake Annan in Mount Annan was constructed in the early 1990s as a combined sedimentation and macrophyte water quality control pond in-line within Narellan Creek. The lake is 2.7 hectares in size and the island 3000m<sup>2</sup> in area.

The lake is surrounded by residences and is located in the northern part of the suburb Mount Annan, approximately 500 metres to the south of Narellan Rd, 1 kilometre to the west of the Australian Botanic Gardens (Mount Annan), and 52 kilometres to the south west of Sydney CBD.

The area covered in this plan includes Lake Annan Island and the Birriwa Reserve at the perimeter of the island. A map identifying the area covered by this Management Plan is provided below.



Figure 1: Area of Land Covered by the Management Plan

In June 2011 there were 16 AWI nest complexes varying from 0.3 to 1.5 m<sup>2</sup> in area and three nest complexes in the lower branches of trees that would contain approximately 50 eggs at one time. The majority of ground nests are in use, however since egg oiling commenced in September 2012, approximately half of the nests where egg oiling was undertaken have since been abandoned. Ground nests that are still active generally contain fresh vegetative material in addition to other items that the AWI consider will make the nest more comfortable to lay their in eggs in such as bits of plastic and netting. The issue with netting is that chicks and juveniles have a tendency to get their legs caught in this material and perish. There were 6 woody weed piles (all 1.5 m<sup>2</sup> in area), two of which have been utilised for nests. The northern part of the island is quite bare due to past vegetation removal for nest building and soil compaction.

Over subsequent egg oiling visits it has become evident that the AWI have sensed that there has been interference with their nests occurring. AWI do have a keen sense of smell and their eyesight is also relatively good (pers. comm NPWS September 2012). This does provide an explanation as to why a number of coloured oiled eggs were ejected out of the AWI shortly after oiling had taken place. The assumption is that the AWI have concluded the oiled eggs were not viable, as they looked and smelt different. The issue with the ejection of the oiled eggs is that the AWI are then inclined to produce another clutch to compensate for the non-viable eggs.

## 2.2 Site Significance

### 2.2.1 Biological

Lake Annan Island offers protection from predators to a range of birds during breeding season and for roosting, hence its attraction to AWI. It had been noted in 2001 (Lake Annan Plan of Management) the island was also an important roosting site for Cattle Egret (*Bubulcus ibis*) which is the only migratory bird in Camden Local Government Area listed under the international bird treaty (Jamba/Camba). Additionally Black Swans (*Cygnus atratus*), Purple Swamp Hens (*Porphyrio porphyrio melanotus*), Masked Lapwing Plovers (*Vanellus miles*) and Little Black Cormorants (*Phalacrocorax sulcirostris*) nest on the island. Black Swan, Masked Lapwing Plover and Purple Swamp Hen have all successfully raised offspring in 2012.

While food resources remain sufficient ibis will continue to breed therefore, the key to ibis management is to restrict their food supply particularly at putrescible waste landfills. With continued breeding, ongoing resources will be required to manage colonies that may splinter due to saturation and move into surrounding urban areas causing increased public nuisance and health concerns.

The island is also close to Jacks Gully Waste and Recycling Centre which prior to it becoming a covered waste management facility in the latter half of 2008, offered a substantial food source in the form of putrescibles waste. Since 2008 the White Ibis population at Lake Annan has decreased due to more limited food sources. Eastern Creek Waste Management Centre which at present is a substantial source of putrescible waste is approximately 30 kilometres to the north. This waste facility will no longer accept putrescible waste from 30 June 2017 (pers. comm Waste Assets Management Corporation October 2012).

### 2.2.2 Landscape

At the time the lake was constructed, the island contained core remnant vegetation of Cumberland Plain Woodland, mainly *Eucalyptus terreticornis* and *Eucalyptus molucana*, *Bursaria spinosa* and *Bursaria Atriplex* species. Some *Casuarina glauca* were planted along with other species to enhance the landscape in the early 1990s. There was also a large number of the noxious weed African Boxthorn on the island, although most of these and the native shrubs have been utilised for nesting material. The northern part of the island is now quite denuded and compacted and subject to erosion. The perimeter park surrounding the lake has some large remnant *Eucalyptus terreticornis*, but has mostly been planted with *Corymbia maculata*.

### 2.2.3 Aboriginal

There are no known Aboriginal sites in the locality and no assessment has been undertaken. As explained in the Landscape and Historical comments, this area has been heavily developed with residential development and associated landscaping. It is not intended as part of this Australian White Ibis Site Management Plan to disturb the soil. If in the future soil disturbance is required consultation and guidance will be sought from the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage.

### 2.2.4 Historical

Lake Annan was constructed in the early 1990s as a combined sedimentation and macrophyte water quality control pond in-line within Narellan Creek. It was a pilot scheme for reducing pollution loads from stormwater run-off. The island was placed centrally in line with the inflow to disperse the flow and reduce short circuiting. The island was also to provide a refuge for fauna and additional lake edge for macrophyte plants. However the lake is considered undersized in regards to its catchment and during community consultation in August 2001 some resident concerns were expressed in relation to odours and aesthetics, and ongoing impacts to water quality due to development in the catchment.

Since the 1990s there has been particularly during the warmer months of the year, algal growth (including filamentous green algae and blue green algae), which is an indication of excess nutrient level. AWI have exacerbated this situation. Council is currently considering the redesign of Lake Annan as it is considered that the current effectiveness of Lake Annan as a water control pond is quite limited.

### 2.2.5 Recreational

There is no recreation activity on the island, as the purpose of the island is to provide a wildlife refuge for native birds. Recreational use of the perimeter of the island is limited to passive activities including walking, sitting, playing and bird watching. Over the years these recreational activities have been severely impacted by the sight of algal blooms and foul smells. The AWI have exacerbated this situation by adding to the nutrient load of the lake.

## 2.3 Site Issues

Australian White Ibis (AWI) roosted on Lake Annan Island in numbers smaller than 20 birds which significantly increased in 2006 to become the second largest breeding colony in the Sydney region.

The following issues have been identified as associated with AWI at Lake Annan.

Issue relevant to site (✓)	Possible issues associated with AWI on-site	Additional Comments
✓	Smell	With the current count of AWI on the island close to 700 birds and the resultant droppings, and at times large numbers of dead birds, the smell can be overwhelming, particularly on warm to hot days.
✓	Noise	Mostly noisy in early mornings and at sunset. However at times this includes a large flock of Corellas roosting on the island during the night.
✓	Affect on water quality	There has been no water monitoring, however algae has been observed and blue-green algae warnings provided during the warmer months. Anecdotal evidence suggests that the water quality has been affected since the population explosion of AWI on the island.
Unknown	Fauna displacement	No records of frequency of previous Cattle Egret roosting on the island. They are still observed on the island. Other avifauna such as Little Black Cormorant, Black Swans and Purple Swamp Hens and Masked Lapwing Plovers still co-exist and breed on the island. Previous numbers unknown.
✓	Damage to vegetation	This has been quite extensive, particularly to some of the new landscaping. Vegetation on the island has been intensively used by AWI to make nests. Also the northern part of the island is bare where the nest complexes are extensive and the resultant phosphorous rich soils have impacted on the native vegetation. Some residents have reported that Ibis in the past have collected large quantities of twigs from domestic shrubs to aid nest building.
✓	Public nuisance at eating and recreational areas	The biggest nuisance is the occasional dead birds along the outer perimeter of the lake. There have been reports at times of birds eating out of bins at a few local shopping centres. Also at time of closure of landfill to putrescible waste and the covering of the Jack's Gully Waste facility there were reports of birds entering cafes in Campbelltown, possibly in search of new food sources.
Unknown	Risk of aircraft strike	There have been no known complaints from Camden Airport which is approximately 5 kilometres away.
✓	Risk to public health	Some potential as water quality (and resulting blue-green algae) is exacerbated by AWI, including dead birds.
✓	Risk to sensitive site	Damaging vegetation on island which is Cumberland Plain Woodland remnant, a Critically Endangered Ecological Community. Also large numbers of birds have at times roosted at Australian Botanic Gardens, Mount Annan. It is assumed they are part of the breeding population from Lake Annan Island.
✓	Deteriorating image of Lake Annan	The presence of AWI (and associated problems) is one of number of contributing factors to the overall declining image of Lake Annan and its public amenity.

**Table 1: Site issues associated with AWI at Lake Annan**

### 3 Site Population Survey

#### 3.1 Roost Counts

Ibis roost counts are designed to establish the number of ibis roosting overnight at a given site. Camden Council commenced roost counts in September 2009 utilising the following methodology:

**Step 1:** At one and a half hours prior to sunset, estimate the total number of chicks (a) and adults (b) on-site.

**Step 2:** From an hour and a half before sunset until the last ibis has returned, record the number of ibis flying in (c) and the number of ibis flying out (d).

**Step 3:** Add the total number of adults on-site (b) to the number of ibis flying in (c) and subtract the number of ibis flying out (d) to identify the total adult population (e).

**Step 4:** Calculate the overall population estimate by adding the total adult population (e) to the total number of chicks on-site (a)

Table 2 shows the roost count data from September 2009 till October 2012.

nr = not recorded / not observable			a	b	c	d	b + c - d = e	a + e
Date	Time started	Time finished	Total chicks on-site	Total adults on-site	No# of ibis flying in	No# of ibis flying out	Total adults	Total ibis (chicks & adults)
22/09/09	8.45am	12 noon	225	620	nr	nr	620	845
22/12/09	3.30pm	8.00 pm	51	205	244	0	449	500
15/09/10	3.00pm	4.00 pm	195	487	nr	nr	487	682
01/11/10	4.30pm	6.45 pm	68	297	38	0	335	403
15/10/12	5.20pm	7.00pm	60	410	254	50	614	674

Table 2: Ibis roost count data from September 2009 till October 2012

### 3.2 Population Data

Since August 2009, Camden Council has undertaken AWI population counts for Lake Annan. Table 3 shows population numbers from August 2009 to December 2012.

**Table 3: Population Counts of AWI at Lake Annan 2009-2012**

Site Time Date	Live Birds						Eggs Oiled (max 50%)				Dead Birds Removed			Weight (kg)
	Adults	Juveniles	Chicks	Total	New Eggs	Old Eggs	Total Eggs	Adults	Juveniles	Chicks	Total			
Lake Annan island and outside perimeter 9.30 to 11.00am 25/08/2009	421	241	447	1109			644	7	13	37	57		36	
Jack's Gully 3.00pm 25/08/09	69													
Lake Annan outside perimeter 18/09/09								9					8	
Lake Annan island and outside perimeter 8.45 am to 12 noon 22/09/2009	430	190	225	845			555	26	50	138	214		88.5	
Jack's Gully 12.30 pm 22/09/2009	40													
Lake Annan and outside perimeter 22/09/2009								14					11	
Lake Annan island and outside perimeter 7/10/2009 9am to 1.00 pm	600	110	147	857			426	22	54	96	174		110	
Lake Annan island and outside perimeter 28/10/09 9am to 12.30 pm	350	80	163	593			569	16	37	59	112		58.5	
Lake Anna island and outside perimeter 11/11/09 5am to 11.30am	419	77	166	662			376	3	18	17	38		25.5	
Jack's Gully 12.00 pm 11/11/2009	20													
Lake Annan outside perimeter 20/11/09								2						

**Table 3: Population Counts of AWI at Lake Annan 2009-2012 – Cont'd**

Site Time Date	Live Birds						Eggs Oiled (max 50%)	Dead Birds Removed				Weight (kg)
	Adults	Juveniles	Chicks	Total	New Eggs	Old Eggs		Total Eggs	Adults	Juveniles	Chicks	
Lake Annan Island and outside perimeter 25/11/09 8.45 to 10.30 a.m.	258	96	223	577			216	13	34	40	87	58.9
Jack's Gully 25/11/09 11.30 am	60											
Lake Annan Island and outside perimeter 8/12/09 8.30 to 10.00am	299	102	89	490			106	6	29	38	73	39
Jack's Gully 8/12/09 10.30am	50											
Lake Annan Island and outside perimeter 22/12/09 3.30 to 5.50 pm	102	103	51	256			26	21	30	25	76	51
In-flight of birds Lake Annan 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm 22/12/09, 217 from south & 27 from north	244											
Lake Annan Island 15/11/09 *		38	9	47			0		33	6	39	10
Lake Annan Island & outside perimeter (count from outside perimeter) 21/01/2010				162								
Lake Annan Island & outside perimeter (count from outside perimeter) 1/2/2010				138								
Lake Annan Island & outside perimeter (11/2/2010 8.30 am to 10.00am)	104	4	0	108			0		15	2	17	11
Lake Annan Island & outside perimeter (count from outside perimeter) 11/2/2010 @ 3.30pm	110			110								
Jack's Gully 11/2/2010 @ 3.15pm	92											

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Site Time Date	Live Birds						Eggs Oiled (max 50%)	Dead Birds Removed				Weight (kg)	
	Adults	Juveniles	Chicks	Total	New Eggs	Old Eggs		Total Eggs	Adults	Juveniles	Chicks		Total
Lake Annan island and outside perimeter March 2010 (only dead birds weighed)													5
Lake Annan island & outside perimeter (count from outside perimeter) 19/3/2010 @ 1.00pm	35			35									
Lake Annan island and outside perimeter 1 September 2010 (only dead birds counted)									17	5	8	30	17.5
Lake Annan island & outside perimeter (18/10/2010 8:30 am to 9:30am)	410	68	93	601			266	10	15	11	36	20.5	
Lake Annan island & outside perimeter 1/11/2010 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm	242	55	68	365			126	3	12	11	26	12	
In-flight of birds Lake Annan 5:00 pm to 6:45 pm 1/11/2010	38												
Lake Annan outside perimeter 3 November 2010 (only dead birds counted)									13				11
Lake Annan island & outside perimeter 24/11/2010 9:00 am to 9:30 am	229	30	23	282			160	5	18	5	26	7	
Jack's Gully 24/11/2010 10:15am	25												
Lake Annan island & outside perimeter 21/12/2010 8:30 am to 9:15am	182	12	98	292			80	5	1	9	15	5.5	
Jack's Gully 21/12/2010 10:00am	10												
Lake Annan island & outside perimeter 2/2/2011 9:00 t 9:30 am	95	24	4	123			18	3	7	6	16	4.5	

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Site Time Date	Live Birds						Total Eggs	Old Eggs	Eggs Oiled (max 50%)	Dead Birds Removed			Weight (kg)
	Adults	Juveniles	Chicks	Total	New Eggs	Total				Adults	Juveniles	Chicks	
Jack's Gully 2/2/2011 10.00am	30												
Lake Annan Island & outside perimeter 16/3/2011 8.45 am 1.9.15 am)	43	7	0	50		0				4	1	5	4
Jack's Gully 16/3/2011 9.45am	28												
Lake Annan Island & outside perimeter 24/3/2011 1.00 pm), counted from edge of lake	24												
Lake Annan Island & outside perimeter 7/4/2011 3.30 pm), counted from edge of lake	14												
Lake Annan Island & outside perimeter 12/07/2011 9.30 am to 10.15 am)	244	16	220	489		380				12		12	
Jacks Gully 12/7/2011 11.00am	76												
Lake Annan Island 11/08/2011 2.00 to 3.00pm										2	26	28	10.5
Lake Annan Island & outside perimeter 31/08/2011 2.10 to 2.50 pm)	408	109	223	740		531				2	4	15	8
Jacks Gully 31/08/2011 2.00 pm	50												
Lake Annan Island & outside perimeter 27/08/2011 8.55 to 9.25am)	475	135	173	783		357				3	10	46	23
Jacks Gully 27/08/2011 10.25 am	80												
Lake Annan Island & outside perimeter 18/10/2011 9.30 to 10.10am)	467	164	179	810		381				8	12	34	23

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Table 3: Population Counts of AWI at Lake Annan 2009-2012 – Cont'd

Site Time Date	Live Birds						Eggs Oiled (max 50%)	Dead Birds Removed				Weight (kg)
	Adults	Juveniles	Chicks	Total	New Eggs	Old Eggs		Total Eggs	Adults	Juveniles	Chicks	
Lake Annan Island & outside perimeter 3/11/2011 9:30 to 10:20am	610	109	145	864			374	3	24	17	44	28.5
Lake Annan Island & outside perimeter 19/12/2011 8:30 to 9:15am	263	39	52	354			150	4	9	16	29	8
Lake Annan Island & outside perimeter 20/01/2012 8:45 to 9:30 am	125	49	84	258			36	1	24	16	41	11
Lake Annan Island and outside perimeter 28/02/2012 9:15 am to 10:00 am	84	14	1	99			17	1	13	2	16	6.5
Jacks Gully 28/02/2012 10:15 am	60											
Lake Annan Island and outside perimeter 17/05/2012 9:15 am to 10:15 am	150	55	55	260			329		1	1	2	
Jacks Gully 17/05/2012 10:45 am	60											
Lake Annan Island and outside perimeter 14/06/2012 9:15am to 10:30am	200	60	70	330			390					19kg
Jacks Gully 14/06/2012 11am	60											
Lake Annan Island and outside perimeter 2/07/2012 9:15am	350	160	255	765			500	6	2	7	15	16kg
Jacks Gully 2/07/2012 11am	55											
Lake Annan Island and outside perimeter 19/07/2012 9:15am to 10:30am	360	170	140	670			361					22kg
Jacks Gully 19/07/2012 11am	50											
Lake Annan Island and outside perimeter 6/08/2012 9am	300	200	160	660			380	2	2	6	10	10.5kg

**Table 3: Population Counts of AWI at Lake Annan 2009-2012 – Cont'd**

Site Time Date	Live Birds						Eggs Oiled (max 50%)			Dead Birds Removed			Weight (kg)
	Adults	Juveniles	Chicks	Total	New Eggs	Old Eggs	Total Eggs	Adults	Juveniles	Chicks	Total		
Jacks Gully Lake Annan Island and outside perimeter 22/08/2012 9:15am to 11:30am	200	100	162	462			431	7	7	40	54	36kg	
Jacks Gully 22/09/2012 12pm Lake Annan Island and outside perimeter 5/09/2012 9:15am to 11:30am	50						344	4	25	40	70	53kg	
Jacks Gully 5/09/2012 12pm Lake Annan Island and outside perimeter 24/09/2012 9:00am till 12:45pm (egg oiling commenced)	48	200	172	612			430	19	58	29	106	119kg	
Jacks Gully 24/09/2012 1:15pm Lake Annan Island and outside perimeter 15/10/2012 9:00am till 12:00pm (egg oiling)	55	350	50	600			472	2	26	20	48	26kg	
Jacks Gully 15/10/2012 12:30pm 1/11/2012 10am till 1:30pm Lake Annan Island and outside perimeter (egg oiling)	150	200	60	410									
Jacks Gully 1/11/2012 2pm 19/11/2012 10am till 12:15pm Lake Annan Island and outside perimeter (egg oiling)	60											41kg	
Jacks Gully 19/11/2012 12:45pm * Birds not counted on outside perimeter of Lake Annan	55	150	36	366	27	309	336	5	22	4	31	22kg	

## 4 Site Management & Actions

Camden Council recognises that the AWI colony at Lake Annan is not a geographically isolated issue but part of a region-wide AWI population. The 2010 Draft Sydney Regional Management Plan for AWI recognises Lake Annan as a refuge breeding colony.

This plan aims to enable Camden Council to effectively mitigate site specific negative impacts associated with AWI by providing a comprehensive and clear guideline for on-site management.

### 4.1 Past Management Actions

In response to residents' complaints Council undertook a monthly removal of dead AWI from the island and Lake Annan perimeter from October 2008 to late August 2009, and then a fortnightly removal of dead birds from late August 2009 during the breeding season which lasts usually from July to December each year. The dead birds are taken to the Sydney University Veterinary complex at Cobbitty for weighing and burning.

In July 2012 a Section 121 Occupier's Licence to Harm Native Fauna under the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974* was approved by the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) Licensing Division of the Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH). In September 2012 egg oiling of 50% of eggs within 50% of nests located on the Island commenced. This is anticipated to continue until the current breeding cycle is completed.

### 4.2 Site Management Objectives and Actions

Due to the environmental damage caused by, and public health and nuisance issues arising from, the refuge colony of AWI at Lake Annan, the 'do nothing' approach is not adequate as unpredictable outcomes could arise.

Council has identified specific vision for Lake Annan that is:

*to create a sustainable, ecologically diverse aquatic and riparian environment that successfully integrates with the adjoining park areas and surrounding environment.*

To achieve this, Table 4 shows the objectives and management strategies to reduce the impact and restrict breeding of AWI on Lake Annan.

Table 4: AWI Management Objectives and Actions for Lake Annan

Objective	Management Strategy	Management Action	Timeframe	Responsibility	Comment
1.0 Reduce AWI breeding on-site in vegetation	Restrict breeding success	Remove eggs from nests being targeted for egg oiling (smash onsite).	Included during fortnightly AWI count and carcass removal	Contractor	
2.1		Undertake egg oiling.	Fortnightly throughout breeding season (July, Feb). NB Potentially ongoing if ibis breed all year round.	Contractor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Section 121 Licence has been obtained from NPWS (valid until 13/07/2013). A licensed contractor (s120 licence required under NP&amp;WS Act 1974) has been engaged to undertake egg oiling (s120 licence expires 31 July 2013).</li> <li>Ensure that chicks are not present or in adjacent nests.</li> </ul>
2.2	Restrict breeding success	Undertake nest removal (ecological burn) over two years - 2013 & 2014.	50% of currently existing nests - 2013 50% of the remainder of currently existing nests - 2014 NB to be conducted outside breeding season (April-June).	Natural Resource Officer/ NSW Fire Brigade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Application to be made to EPA for an Ecological Burn.</li> <li>A Section 132C Licence under NP&amp;WS Act 1974 application required to be submitted to OEH as the site contains remnants of Cumberland Plain Woodland an Endangered Ecological Community (EEC).</li> <li>Ensure that chicks are not present or located adjacent nests.</li> </ul>

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Table 4: AWI Management Objectives and Actions for Lake Annan (con'td)

Objective	Management Strategy	Management Action	Timeframe	Responsibility	Comment
3.0 Reduce ibis roosting on-site	Restrict Roosting Opportunities	Roost dispersal	Twice per week outside breeding season (Mar to June)	Natural Resource Officer/ Contractor	
4.1	Restrict breeding success	Undertake egg oiling	Fortnightly throughout breeding season (July-Feb). NB Potentially ongoing if ibis breed all year round.	Contractor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Refer to 2.1</li> </ul>
4.2	Restrict roosting opportunities	Undertake nest removal (ecological burn) over two years - 2013 & 2014.	50% of nests - of currently existing nests - 2013 50% of nests - of the remainder of currently existing - 2014 NB to be conducted outside breeding season (April-June).	Natural Resource Officer/ NSW Fire Brigade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Refer to 2.2</li> </ul>
4.3	Ground Maintenance on Lake Annan Island, Birriwa Reserve and waterways.	Carcass removal	Fortnightly during peak breeding season or as required.	Contractor	

Table 4: AWI Management Objectives and Actions for Lake Annan (con't'd)

	Objective	Management Strategy	Management Action	Timeframe	Responsibility	Comment
5.1		Restrict breeding success	Undertake egg oiling	Fortnightly throughout breeding season (July-Feb). NB Potentially ongoing if ibis breed all year round.	Contractor	Refer to 2.1
5.2	Improve/protect vegetation	Restrict roosting opportunities	Undertake nest removal (ecological burn) over two years - 2013 & 2014.	50% of nests - 2013 50% of nests - 2014 NIB to be conducted outside breeding season (April-June).	Natural Resource Officer/ Fire Brigade	Refer to 2.2
5.3		Island rehabilitation project	Revegetation and stabilisation of banks	2013/2014	Natural Resource Officer	
6.0	Improve community understanding of AWI	Community Education	Develop and implement AWI Education Strategy	Ongoing	Natural Resource Officer/ Environmental Education Officer	

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7.1	Improve odour and public health	Restrict breeding success	Undertake egg oiling	Fortnightly throughout breeding season (July-Feb). NB Potentially ongoing if ibis breed all year round.	Contractor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Refer to 2.1</li> </ul>
7.2		Ground Maintenance on Lake Annan Island, Birriwa Reserve and waterways.	Carcass removal	Fortnightly during peak breeding season or as required.	Contractor	
8.0	Contribute to sustaining a baseline AWI population throughout the Sydney Basin	Monitor Lake Annan refuge colony	Fortnightly population counts Quarterly roost counts.	Fortnightly counts ongoing. Quarterly counts to be undertaken January, April, July and October. Annual census to be undertaken in October 2012.	<p>Fortnightly counts 3 - 4 hours approximately. Roost count - 1 1/2 hours before sunset.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fortnightly counts are undertaken during carcass removal during the daytime.</li> <li>Quarterly counts (roost counts) are undertaken 1 1/2 hours before sunset.</li> </ul>	

## 5 Population Control Measures

### 5.1 List of Management Actions

Based on the objectives outlined in Section 4, the following activities need to be carried out. These should be performed by adequately trained personnel wearing the necessary personal protective equipment (PPE). Appendix A illustrates recommended PPE. Appendix B outlines a Standard Operating Protocol for working in situ with native birds.

If at any time, an ibis (of any age) is harmed while performing any of these management actions, they must be immediately taken to a wildlife carer or a registered Vet.

#### 5.1.1 Egg and Nest Removal

**Step 1:** All nests need to be thoroughly inspected for the presence of chicks before they are removed. This can be done by using:

- inspection by the naked eye (if possible)
- inspection using a small mirror fitted to the end an extension pole
- inspection using a wireless CCTV camera fitted to the end an extension pole (see Appendix C for photo of camera)

**Step 2:** Nests adjacent to or containing chicks need to be left undisturbed in order to comply with the Licence issued by the NSW NPWS and to ensure animal welfare guidelines are adhered to at all times.

**Step 3:** Only nests not containing chicks can be removed. This can be done by using extension poles with pronged attachments fitted to the end.

**Step 4:** All nests and eggs (not containing chicks or adjacent to chicks) should be removed from the site, unless the site is a refuge colony where only 50% of the nests containing eggs should be removed.

**Step 5:** Return to the site every 14 days throughout the breeding season to remove any freshly laid eggs in newly built nests.

#### 5.1.2 Egg Oiling

Egg oiling is considered to be a humane method of euthanasia and has been deemed an acceptable method by ecological authorities both nationally and internationally. Locally, egg oiling has been previously undertaken by both Bankstown and Fairfield Councils and they found that it was an effective management strategy.

**Step 1:** Select a spray bottle with an adjustable nozzle. Mix 7 parts cooking oil with 3 parts water and 1 part dish washing liquid in the spray bottle.

**Step 2:** Add brightly coloured food dye to the mix at a concentration that will help identify treated eggs from new untreated eggs (i.e. make sure the dye is highly visible once applied to the egg).

**Step 3:** Adjust the nozzle on the spray bottle so that the liquid is exiting in a fine mist that will ensure even coverage over the egg without excessive waste of the mixture.

**Step 4:** Do not handle the eggs or remove them from their nest. Hold the spray bottle 5 – 10 cm from the eggs, aim the nozzle and apply the mixture to each egg. Ensure that the egg is completely covered on all visible surfaces. There is no need to rotate the egg. Due to its shape and the viscosity of the oil, the mixture will run down the sides of the egg and coat the bottom as well, sealing the egg airtight.

**Step 5:** Return to the site every 14 days to apply a fresh mixture to any newly laid eggs (repeat steps 1 – 4). Any brightly coloured eggs that have received a previous treatment do not need the mixture re-applied.

#### 5.1.3 Roost Dispersal

**Step 1:** Disturb ibis after sunset by shining spotlights and laser lights, noisily cracking stock whips and sounding ibis specific distress calls (refer to Appendix C for a photo of recommended tools to use).

**Step 2:** Ensure that the dispersal is conducted so that other bird species surrounding the ibis colony remain undisturbed.

**Step 3:** To discourage ibis from returning to the site, dispersal needs to occur at least twice per week on a continual basis for all periods that chicks are not present.

#### 5.1.4 Nest Burning

As the AWI have colonised Lake Annan Island, it is possible to consider reducing the availability of nesting habitat by burning empty nests, there is minimal possibility of the fire escaping and spreading to neighbouring areas and an abundance of water surrounding the Island. Nest burning will also reduce the amount of odour that is generated from the Island, which will in the long term benefit local residents. The nests that are heavily contaminated with faecal material and abandoned will be targeted as the first nests to be burnt.

Due to the disturbance on the Island and loss of nesting materials (once an ecological burn has been implemented), the Ibis are likely to disperse and look for food and nesting materials in nearby locations. To assist residents in this regard, an education campaign should be implemented simultaneously to provide residents with simple ideas how they can discourage

ibis from visiting their properties, cleaning up vegetation debris from their front yards and making them less attractive to the ibis.

#### 5.1.5 Carcass Removal

When ibis breeding colonies reach high densities, on-site mortality of individuals at any age levels is inevitable. The resulting carcass decomposition exacerbates the smell associated with ibis breeding colonies. Prompt removal of decaying carcasses may help to reduce these odours and can be performed while on-site for other activities such as breeding restriction. This is currently undertaken on a fortnightly basis.

#### 5.1.6 Roost Count / Annual Census

**Step 1:** Estimate the number of adults and chicks on-site approximately one and a half hours prior to sunset. Use binoculars or a spotting scope to get an accurate result.

**Step 2:** Count both incoming and outgoing ibis from an hour and a half before sunset until the last ibis has returned.

**Step 3:** Add the on-site count to the number of incoming ibis and subtract the number of outgoing ibis. This provides an estimation of the complete roosting population.

### 5.2 Community Education

Public feeding of AWI in urban parks and residential gardens is a common and widespread occurrence in many urban areas within the Camden Local Government Area (LGA). Key urban foraging locations within the Camden LGA should be identified and a targeted community education campaign initiated in these areas.

Recommendations to increase public education at these sites, thereby decreasing the number of ibis foraging and the associated public nuisance caused includes:

- Develop a media release on an annual basis prior to the breeding season to encourage residents to report ibis breeding sites and to increase awareness of the issues associated with urban ibis populations.
- Develop and distribute education material (such as brochures, stickers for bins, schools package and media articles) to ensure local residents and businesses are up to date with ibis management in their area.
- Educate people who are known to feed wildlife on a regular basis or allow birds to feed from industrial bins. It should be emphasised that they are contributing to the potential growth of the ibis population.

- Install rubbish bins that deny ibis and other wildlife direct access to food.
- Empty all bins regularly to prevent overflow of rubbish, particularly those that service shopping complexes and recreational facilities.

Creating community awareness of public feeding and general ibis issues can also be integral in communicating important and useful information about foraging, roosting and breeding sites within the area. It will also aid in community acceptance of this Management Plan.

#### 5.2.1 Community Involvement

The following will help to further reduce reproductive success within the Camden Local Government Area:

- If nesting occurs on private property the landowners should be approached to encourage breeding restriction at these sites. Landowners will need to apply for a Section 121 Occupiers Licence under the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974* issued through the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage.
- Encourage local residents to report new breeding sites so that breeding restriction can be implemented promptly. This can be achieved through public education.

## Glossary

Phrase/Word	Definition
Active Bird Management	The use of short-term management techniques such as distress calls, pyrotechnics, stock whips, sling shots, dogs, remote controlled aircraft, dirt bikes, trapping and culling to disperse or remove birds.
Anthropogenic Food Source	Food derived from humans or human activity including; landfills, intentional feeding by people and scavenging at parks, foreshores, schools, theme parks, resorts, malls, industrial areas and farms.
Dispersal	The moving of individuals away from each other or away from a particular site.
Foraging	The process of searching for and obtaining food.
Passive Bird Management	The modification of habitat to render it more or less attractive to birds.
Roosting	The process of birds congregating overnight at a specific place for rest and protection from predators.

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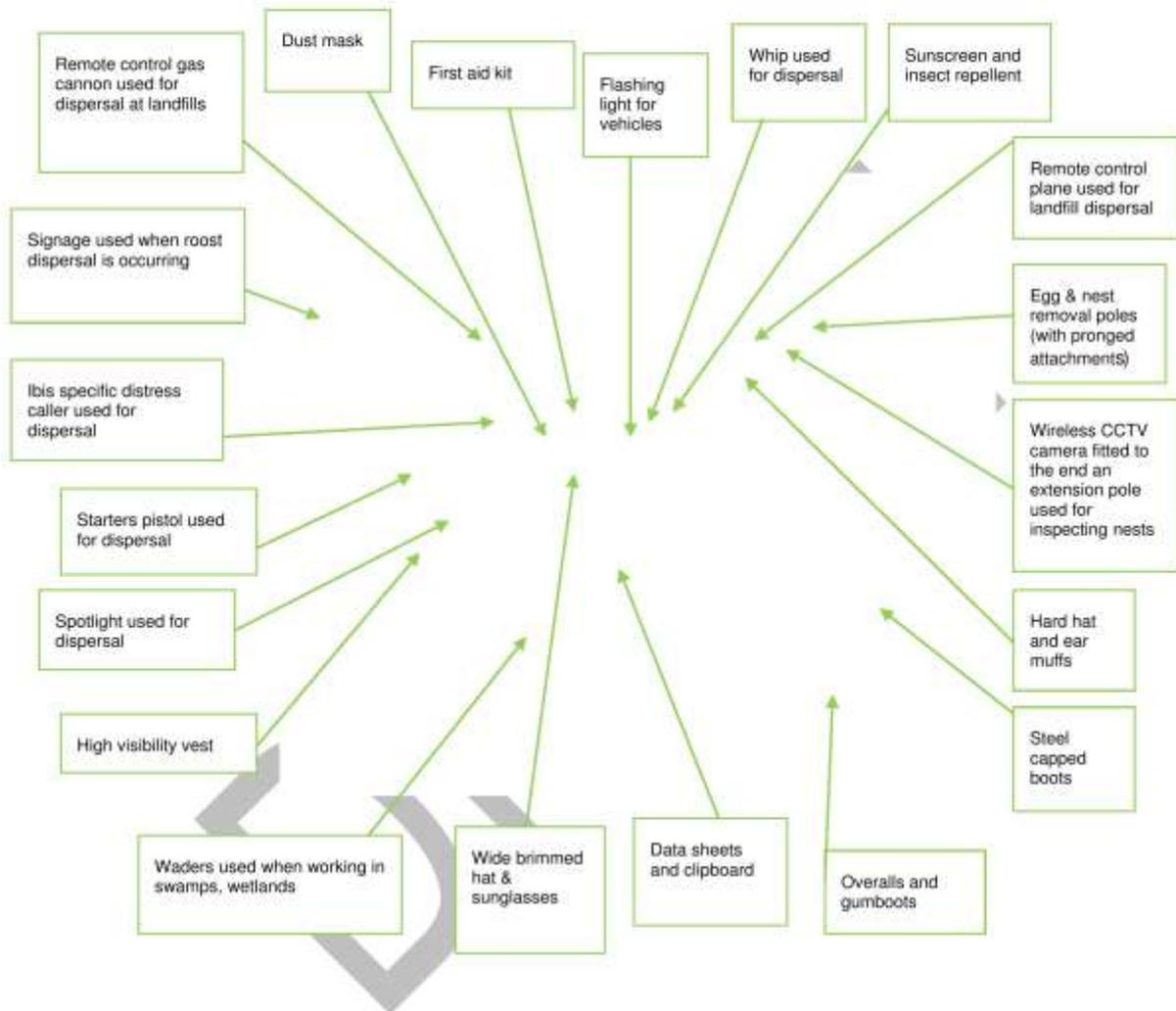
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## Appendix A - PPE Equipment

Appendix A – Tools and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) used for ibis management



## Appendix B - Standard Operating Protocol

### Precautions for working *in situ* with native birds.

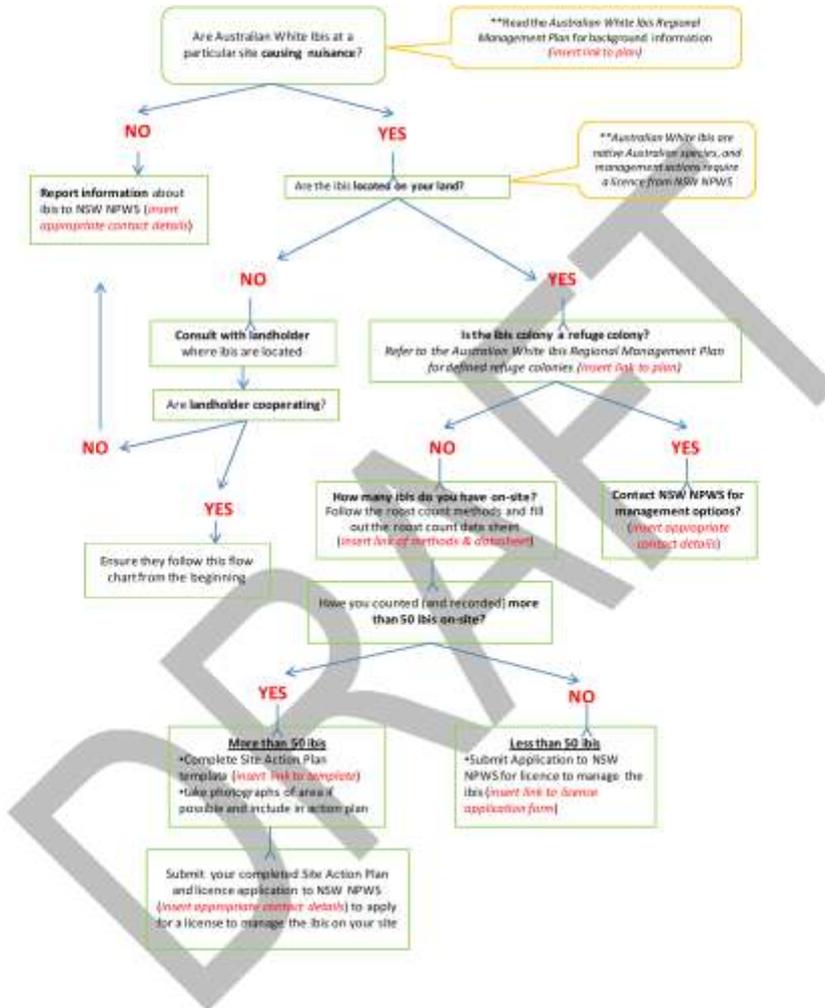
- If individual birds appear sick, particularly if they show symptoms (such as excessively watery eyes, swelling of the head and eyelids, ruffled feathers, etc.), consult with a veterinarian before handling them or bringing them into any facility. If necessary use biohazard handling procedures with moribund or dead birds – secure them and get them to post mortem ASAP.
- Do not approach large "die-offs". Seal off the area and consult either the State Department Primary Industries or the local veterinarian. If possible record the following: Time, coordinates, weather conditions, species and estimated numbers involved (observe remotely) and contact details of nearby local residents. Take note of predator/scavenger activity and record the observations of local residents if available. The higher risk wild species include ducks, geese, swans, gulls, terns, shore birds, waders, egrets, herons, spoonbills, ibis and migratory or semi-nomadic species within these groups – BUT "die offs" of any species should be treated with caution.
- In rescue and rehabilitation centres all incoming birds should be quarantined before mixing with resident birds. Avoid mixing species and birds from different regions, and unnecessary bird-to-bird contact.
- Protect yourself when handling birds. Wear heavy gloves when handling birds that can pierce skin with beak or claws; otherwise, wear dish gloves or disposable gloves. Wear protective overalls that can be easily and regularly cleaned. Or preferably use non-absorbable disposable barrier suits.
- When cleaning equipment, collecting samples, or handling faeces or faecal contaminated feed and water, wear disposable gloves, then discard and wash hands with warm soapy water/disinfectant immediately.
- Avoid conducting post mortems on birds in the field unless you have an adequate portable facility. Transport the birds to an appropriate regional post mortem facility. Use protective clothing including biohazard mask.
- When working with wild populations routinely collect blood, cloacae and choanal smears. Process and bank these samples – they may be useful for future disease tracking.
- If collecting blood, faecal, or tissue samples, wear gloves and protective clothing. Handle samples and sharps according to established bio-safety protocols.
- Do not eat, drink or smoke while handling birds or cleaning contaminated equipment.
- During any procedure regularly change gloves and wash your hands with warm soapy water or disinfectant followed by 70% alcohol rinse.

- Use appropriate disinfectants to wash equipment (e.g. sampling tools, bird restraint, holding, and transportation devices, banding tools or bird bags) or any potentially contaminated surface.
- Always work in a well-ventilated environment. If working outdoors, remain upwind of birds and avoid inhaling dust and feather aerosols. If you are working in an environment where splash or aerosols are generated (using high pressure hoses, or in ponds), consider wearing eye protection and a face mask to prevent contact with eyes, nose and mouth.
- Dispose of all potentially contaminated material immediately in an appropriate manner.
- If you are ill, particularly if you have viral respiratory tract disease, avoid working with wild avian species until fully recovered. If you become ill after handling birds consult your doctor and inform your doctor that you have been in contact with wild birds.
- Be diligent with insect protection (long sleeves, long trousers and repellent) especially when working in swampy water-bird habitat (arbovirus protection).

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### Appendix C Flow Chart

The following flow chart may be published on the NSW NPWS website as a quick reference guide.





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**SUBJECT: WASTE AND SUSTAINABILITY IMPROVEMENT PAYMENT 2012-2013**  
**FROM:** Director Works & Services  
**BINDER:** Grants and Subsidies/External Grants/Sustainability-DECCW WaSIP

### PURPOSE OF REPORT

To inform Council of the Waste and Sustainability Improvement Payment 2012-2013, and the NSW Government's new waste and resource recovery initiative *Waste Less, Recycle More*, and seek Council's agreement to participate in the program.

### BACKGROUND

For the past three years Council has participated in the NSW Government's Waste and Sustainability Improvement Payment (WaSIP) Program, receiving \$793,760 for new and enhanced environmental sustainability initiatives including:

- Sustainable Camden Communities – a community education and outreach program facilitated through a partnership with the Macarthur Centre for Sustainable Living;
- Mount Annan Leisure Centre: Solar Pool Heating – installation of solar pool heating system to replace the existing hot water system;
- Mount Annan Leisure Centre: Augmentation of amenities hot water – conversion from electric hot water systems to gas;
- Development and implementation of a Strategic Waste Management Plan;
- Camden Memorial Pool: Installation of solar pool heating;
- Camden Memorial Pool – purchase and installation of pool blankets;
- Renewable Energy Generations Option Study and the subsequent installation of a 79.5kW solar photovoltaic system at Narellan Library;
- Development of a Climate Change Risk Assessment and Adaptation Strategy for Council's Operations;
- Development of a Biodiversity Strategy for the Camden LGA; and
- Implementation of an Illegal Dumping Education campaign.

### MAIN REPORT

The NSW Government has recently announced the waste and resource recovery initiative *Waste Less, Recycle More*, a \$465.7 million package over five years. The new funding package has been developed in response to the first ever independent review of the NSW Waste Levy.

The *Waste Less, Recycle More* initiative includes the 2012-2013 Waste and Sustainability Improvement Payment (WaSIP) as a transition to a new suite of local council grants and programs to commence in July 2013.

It is estimated that Council will receive \$360,000 from WaSIP for 2012-2013.

These funds and any unspent balance from previous years can be invested in:

- actions and projects which have been previously approved through the WaSIP program, and/or



- new and enhanced programs which deliver improved waste avoidance, resource recovery, the use of secondary resources and waste management outcomes, and/or
- programs that tackle illegal dumping and littering.

Once the funding amount is confirmed, Council will be required to prepare an action plan and submit it to the NSW Government's Environment Protection Authority (EPA) for endorsement. It is proposed to utilise this funding for the following projects:

Project	Outcome
Sustainable Camden Communities	Continued partnership with the Macarthur Centre for Sustainable Living to deliver sustainability programs, workshops and to develop new displays to promote sustainable living behaviours to the Camden Community.
Renewable Energy Offset Program	Installation of additional solar photovoltaic panels to Council's Libraries to reduce the financial burden to Council from rising energy costs, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions from Council's facilities.
Biodiversity Strategy	Incorporation of a Biodiversity Strategy into Council's land use planning and environmental management functions to protect and enhance the biodiversity within the Camden LGA.
Sustainability Program for Staff	Implementation of programs and training to facilitate and empower staff to be more sustainable.
Waste Education Package for New Residents	Development and delivery of a package informing new residents of Council's Domestic Waste Service.

To confirm Council's participation in the 2012-2013 WaSIP program, Council is required to sign the *WaSIP 2012-2013 Certificate for Sydney Metropolitan Area and Extended Regulated Area Councils* and return it to the EPA by 19 April 2013.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

It is estimated that Council will receive \$360,000 to complete the 2012-2013 WaSIP program, which is required to be spent by 30 June 2014. Together with unspent funds from previous years, this money is to be invested in:

- actions and projects that have been previously approved through the WaSIP program, and/or
- new and enhanced programs which deliver improved waste avoidance, resource recovery, the use of secondary resources and waste management outcomes, and/or
- programs which tackle illegal dumping and littering.



## CONCLUSION

The NSW Government has recently announced the waste and resource recovery initiative *Waste Less, Recycle More* which includes the 2012-2013 Waste and Sustainability Improvement Payment (WaSIP).

Once the funding amount is confirmed, Council will be required to prepare an action plan and submit it to the NSW Government's Environment Protection Authority for endorsement. Projects to be funded under this program include:

- Sustainable Camden Communities;
- Renewable Energy Offset Program;
- Biodiversity Strategy;
- Sustainability Program for Staff; and
- Waste Education Package for New Residents.

To confirm Council's participation in the 2012-2013 WaSIP program, Council is required to sign the *WaSIP 2012-2013 Certificate for Sydney Metropolitan Area and Extended Regulated Area Councils* and return it to the EPA by 19 April 2013.

## RECOMMENDED

**That Council:**

- endorse Council's participation in the 2012-2013 Waste and Sustainability Improvement Payment (WaSIP) program;**
- authorise the relevant documentation to be completed under Council Seal as necessary; and**
- authorise the development of the 2012-2013 WaSIP Action Plan to submit to NSW Government's Environment Protection Authority for endorsement.**



ORD07

## ORDINARY COUNCIL

ORD07

**SUBJECT: WOOD SMOKE REDUCTION PROGRAM 2013 - GRANT FUNDING**  
**FROM:** Director Works & Services  
**BINDER:** Public Health / Complaints and Requests / Wood Smoke

### PURPOSE OF REPORT

To advise Council of the successful funding application for \$59,996 (excl GST) through the NSW Government's Wood Smoke Reduction Program 2013 administered by the Environment Protection Authority (EPA), and to seek Council's endorsement to accept the funding.

### BACKGROUND

On 24 July 2012, Council resolved to adopt a position to attempt to improve air quality by restricting the type of wood heaters to those that have lower emissions and higher efficiency and to develop a robust Local Approvals Policy promoting this adopted position.

The NSW Government is providing funding up to \$60,000 to local government for the implementation of local Wood Smoke Reduction Programs in 2013. In October 2012, the EPA invited expressions of interest from councils and groups of councils to participate in one, two or all of the following program options:

1. community education programs about the health impacts of wood smoke pollution and how best to operate wood heaters;
2. smoky chimney surveys by councils and appropriate educational/enforcement action; and
3. targeted cash incentives to replace old, uncertified wood heaters and fireplaces with cleaner alternatives.

### MAIN REPORT

In October 2012, the NSW Government announced the availability of funding of up to \$60,000 for Councils through the Wood Smoke Reduction Program 2013, administered by the Environment Protection Authority (EPA).

The Wood Smoke Reduction Program aims to assist local communities to raise awareness about the effects of wood smoke on health and the environment, and the benefits of correct wood heater operation. The program also includes smoky chimney surveillance by local councils and some targeted rebates to encourage a shift to cleaner forms of heating.

In the Camden LGA, it is estimated that up to 35% of houses in established suburbs have a wood or solid fuel heater. Whilst the level of ownership in newer suburbs is lower as a result of a prohibition of solid fuel heater installation in Council's Development Control Plans since 2005, there have been many illegal installations.

Exacerbating the impact of solid fuel heaters on the local air quality is the compounding effect of the topography and air currents within the Sydney Basin. Effectively, this



combination of topography and pattern of air currents, carry pollutants generated from across Sydney into the south west resulting in a relatively poorer air quality for the Camden area.

Significant planned growth over the next 20-25 years will see the population grow from 60,250 to approximately 250,000. This substantial growth will bring many challenges related to maintaining or improving air quality in the Camden LGA and surrounding region. The correct use of solid fuel/wood heaters can make a significant contribution to improved air quality.

The Wood Smoke Reduction Program is an opportunity for Council to engage the local community in addressing local air pollution from solid fuel heaters. On 14 December 2012, Council submitted a funding application to the EPA for \$59,996 (excl GST) through this Program, nominating to participate in all of the program components as follows:

1. \$35,211 to deliver community education;
2. \$11,085 to undertake smoky chimney surveillance in the early morning and evenings; and
3. \$13,700 for cash incentives to replace old, uncertified wood heaters and fireplaces with cleaner heating alternatives.

Council received notification from the EPA of its successful application on 19 March 2013. Camden Council is one of 17 successful Councils or groups of Councils from the 20 applications received by the EPA. The EPA requested that successful applicants execute the grant documentation within 10 working days of receipt, to confirm Council's participation in the Wood Smoke Reduction Program 2013. The EPA has granted an extension to this timeframe to enable the matter to be considered at the Council meeting on Tuesday 9 April 2013.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Council has been successful in its application for funding (\$59,996 excl GST) from the NSW Government through the Wood Smoke Reduction Program 2103 as allocated:

1. \$35,211 to deliver community education;
2. \$11,085 to undertake smoky chimney surveillance in the early morning and evenings; and
3. \$13,700 for cash incentives to replace old, uncertified wood heaters and fireplaces with cleaner heating alternatives

In the application for funding, there was no requirement for Council to provide any financial contribution towards this program. However, general administration costs such as salary and ancillary costs are to be met by Council as part of normal operational costs.

### **CONCLUSION**

Council has been successful in its funding application for \$59,996 (excl GST) through the Wood Smoke Reduction Program administered by the EPA. In order for Council to confirm its participation in this Program for 2013, two copies of the Deed of Grant need to be signed and returned to the EPA as soon as possible.



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**RECOMMENDED**

**That Council:**

- i. accept the funding for \$59,996 (excl GST) through the NSW Government's Wood Smoke Reduction Program 2013 administered by the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) and endorse Council's participation in the Wood Smoke Reduction Program 2013;**
- ii. write to the New South Wales Government via the Environment Protection Authority thanking them for the grant; and**
- iii. authorise the relevant documentation to be completed under Council Seal as necessary.**



# ORDINARY COUNCIL

ORD08

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**SUBJECT: TENDER T005/2013 FOR THE SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF THREE WORK CREW TRUCKS**

**FROM:** Director Works & Services

**BINDER:** Supply and Delivery of three work crew trucks T005/2013.

## PURPOSE OF REPORT

To provide details of the tenders received for contract T005/2013, being the supply and delivery of three work crew trucks, and to recommend that Council accept the tender submitted by Sydney Truck and Machinery Centre.

## BACKGROUND

Council's three road maintenance crews utilise specialised work crew trucks to undertake a number of civil maintenance activities. The existing trucks are five years old and are due for replacement as scheduled in Council's adopted Plant Replacement Program. The trucks include cab chassis, tipper body, and crane to meet operational requirements.

## MAIN REPORT

### **Invitation to Tender**

The tender for the supply and delivery of three (3) work crew trucks was advertised in the local press and Sydney Morning Herald. Tenders closed 2.00pm Friday 25 January 2013. Three (3) tender submissions were received with varying options of bodies and cranes, as follows:

### **Sydney Truck and Machinery Centre**

- Cab Chassis
  - Iveco 50C17 Dual Cab
  - Fuso 515 Dual Cab
  - Fuso 815 Dual Cab
- Tipper Body
  - Amplus Auto Body
  - Unique Truck Bodies
  - M&M Truck Bodies
  - Roy's Truck Bodies
- Crane
  - Amplus – Amco Veba
  - Unique – Maxilift
  - Cargotec – Maxilift

### **Mining Vehicles Australia**

- Cab Chassis
  - Hino 617 Crew Cab 300 Series



- Tipper Body
  - Mining Vehicles Australia
- Crane
  - Brand not stipulated

#### **Gilbert and Roach**

- Cab Chassis
  - Isuzu NPR400 Crew Cab
- Tipper Body
  - M&M Truck Bodies
- Crane
  - Brand not stipulated

A summary of the submissions is provided in the **Supporting Documents**, as this information is Commercial in Confidence.

#### **Tender Evaluation**

Sydney Truck and Machinery Centre offered three alternatives in relation to the cab chassis. The Iveco 50C17 and Fuso 515 Dual Cabs were deemed non-conforming due to the capacity of the truck being below the minimum specified 3,000kg. The Fuso 815 Dual Cabs met the specified performance criteria.

An evaluation was carried out on each of the trucks offered in the three tender submissions. All three trucks were considered equally suitable and met Council's operational requirements. Given this, the tender selection was predominantly based on the most competitive price.

#### **Relevant Legislation**

The tender has been conducted in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993, the Local Government Regulation (2005) and Council's Purchasing and Procurement Policy.

Should Council resolve to accept this tender, an order will be placed immediately.

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Sydney Truck and Machinery Centre's configuration of a Fuso 815 Dual Cab / M&M Truck Body's tipper body / Amplus' Amco Veba Crane totals \$77,914.36 per unit excl GST (\$233,743.08 excl GST total). This amount is within the budget approved in Council's 2012/13 Plant Replacement Program.

#### **CONCLUSION**

Based on price, conformance and suitability, it is recommended that Council purchase three (3) work crew trucks from Sydney Truck and Machinery Centre with the inclusion of the truck tipper body from M&M Truck Bodies and crane from Amplus.

Best resale value for the disposal of the three (3) old trucks can be obtained through public auctions.



## **RECOMMENDED**

**That Council:**

- i. accept the tender from Sydney Truck and Machinery Centre for supply and delivery of three trucks with Fuso 815 Dual Cabs / M&M Truck Bodies / Amplus Amco Veba crane configuration at a total price of \$233,743.08 excl GST; and**
- ii. dispose of the three (3) used trucks through public auctions.**

## **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. Gang Trucks T2005-2013 - *Supporting Document***

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