

# **LGMA NSW INTEGRATED PLANNERS NETWORK**

**Workshop on**

**Draft Charter, Values and Direction**

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# Process

- This draft is based on LGMA network charter template
- Has been prepared by Network Executive Committee
- We need your input before it can be finalised
- There are issues to be discussed
- Judy to provide an overview of the key issues
- 5 tables to take a key section each – choose a table

# Mission Statement

- Provide leadership, advocacy, information, learning and support
- Implementation of the Integrated Planning and Reporting framework and strategic, corporate and management planning issues including community engagement
- Provide research, networking, management and professional development opportunities
- Committed to best practice for the IPR interest area and policy formation through LGMA NSW.

# Description of IPN on LGMA NSW Website

The IPN covers a wide area of interest including management planning issues, organisational performance, state of the environment reporting, grant seeking, benchmarking, management and/or annual reports, and quality/best practice.

One of the main aims of the network is to provide a regular forum for sharing ideas or concerns in the above areas that are not readily or suitably addressed by other groups.

# Objectives of the Member Network

- Provide opportunities for networking
- Discussion of best practice in integrated planning, community engagement, performance reporting and resource management (asset, finance and workforce).
- Raise awareness of legislative change
- Work with other professionals and groups with similar interests
- Provide opportunities for career development
- Support career planning, coaching and mentoring
- Provide input into issues/policy development of LGMA, Division of Local Government (DLG) and other NSW and Federal Government organisations

# Objectives of the Member Network (continued)

- Provide advocacy through input into LGMA NSW submissions
- Promote and develop leading managers and professionals in local government
- Provide membership support and encouragement of best practice and upholding a code of ethics
- Provide a forum for members to share and reflect on information and experience as the local government sector responds to new challenges

# Objectives of the Member Network (continued)

- Create an opportunity to discuss/debate/progress issues/points of interest of pertinence
- Improve local government knowledge
- Encourage diversity and creativity in the local government profession
- Create an opportunity for senior leaders to share knowledge and experience
- Provide strategic direction to LGMA NSW on integrated planning and reporting.
- Provide the opportunity for peer support and social interaction

# Objectives of the IPN Executive Committee

- Hold a minimum of two member events per year.
- Work for and with local government managers and professionals in their quest to develop personal and professional skills to facilitate advocacy, learning, networking and to maximise benefits from LGMA NSW membership
- Represent the interests of the managers and professionals involved in integrated planning and reporting to the LGMA NSW
- Communicate with Members
- **Support Regional and rural initiatives**

# Objectives of the IPN Executive Committee (continued)

- Assist the LGMA NSW on a range of policy and advocacy objectives
- Identify issues Members believed to impact on managers and professionals involved in integrated planning and reporting, needing to be addressed
- Focus on corporate and management planning related items within the Integrated Planning and Reporting framework and support other LGMA NSW Member Networks as requested
- Address standing agenda items agreed by the Executive Committee

# Objectives of the IPN Executive Committee (continued)

- To promote and support managers and professionals in Local Government by developing opportunities for career path planning
- Recommend to LGMA NSW the best vehicle to promote, advocate and resolve issues of pertinence

# Values

- **Leadership** – lead by setting a good example and seek to improve outcomes, processes and relationships
- **Innovation** – nurture and promote examples of best practice, excellence and continuous improvement
- **Sustainability** – consideration of a balance of economic, environmental, social and community leadership elements
- **Respect** – cooperation and recognition
- **Integrity** – honesty and truthfulness
- **Working together** – for the best interests of the Network members and local government

# Reporting

- As the Executive Committee conducts business on behalf of the Network between Network quarterly meetings, the minutes are available to Network Members through the LGMA NSW website.

# Expected Outcomes

- Knowledge and learning
- professional and management development
- networking opportunities
- opportunities to discuss and develop local government best practice
- new skills and career development

# Issues to be considered

- Table 1: Mission statement
- Table 2: Objectives of the Network
- Table 3: Objectives of Network Executive Committee
- Table 4: Values of the Network
- Table 5: Reporting and Expected Outcomes

## Plenary session

- Responsibilities of Network
- Proposed dates for the 2010 meetings
- Annual Business Plan and Budget

# Process

- Choose a table – limit of numbers on each table
- Each table to appoint a scribe and a presenter
- An executive member and LGMA rep on each table to assist, but not to force a particular outcome
- Consensus preferred; presenter to note any dissent
- You have 15 mins and then report back to group

If time, we may discuss the following as a group

- Responsibilities of Network
- Proposed dates for the 2010 meetings
- Annual Business Plan and Budget

# Responsibilities of the Network

- Assist the Integrated Planners Member Network participants in developing professional development opportunities and networking skills
- Assist the Integrated Planners Member Network participants develop management and professional skills
- Assist the Integrated Planners Member Network participants in maximising the benefits from LGMA NSW Membership
- Provide recommendations in relation to issues raised by Members and interested parties
- Ensure communications and interaction between the Executive Committee, regions, Member Networks and LGMA NSW
- Providing appropriate representation and assist the parent body - LGMA NSW

# Annual Budget and Business Plan

- In future years the business plan and budget for the Network to be provided to LGMA NSW by 1 May
- Half yearly budget and plan review 1 Dec
- Financial report and proposed budget distributed for discussion

# Proposed Dates for 2010 Network Meetings

- 5 February 2010 – Dubbo?
- 14 May – several invitations for regional meeting
- 6 August – AGM
- 5 November

# What happens next?

The IPN Executive Committee will:

- collate your feedback
- finalise the charter for LGMA Executive endorsement
- distribute to members in February.

Thank you for your participation