

LGiU Australia

**BIG IDEAS FOR THE
FUTURE OF LOCAL
GOVERNMENT.**

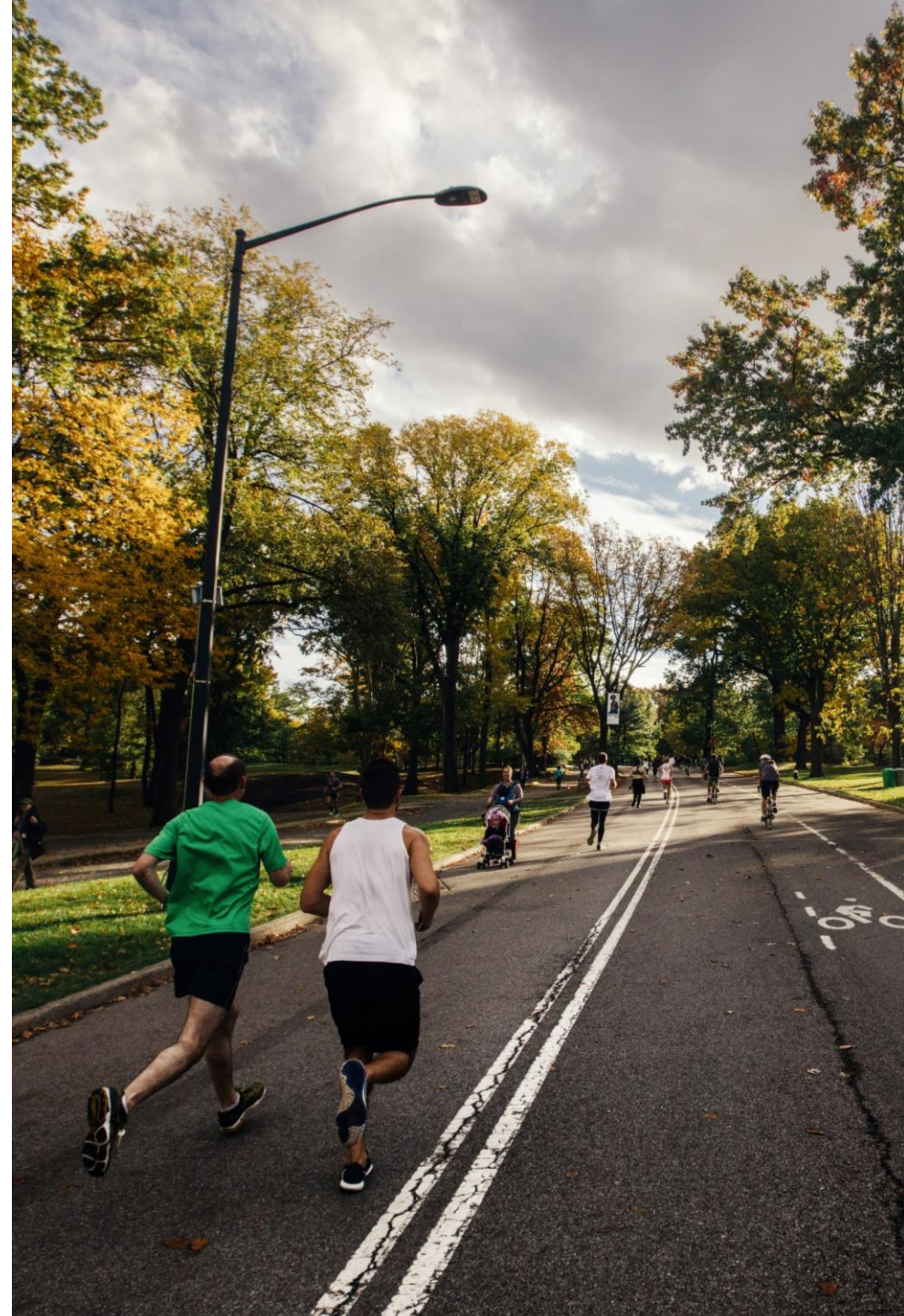
LGiU Australia is a local government think tank committed to an innovative and sustainable local government sector

We are member-led

Our purpose is:

- to share ideas and best practice,
- encourage innovation and collaboration, and
- develop research that drives the sector forward.

We are a partnership between non-profit think tank and information service provider LGiU and Australian public policy consultancy and certified B Corp SGS Economics and Planning.



LGIU - the Local Government information Unit

- Established in England in 1983, now operates in England, Wales, Scotland, northern Ireland, Ireland and Australia (launched 2020)
- We are a not-for-profit, non-partisan membership organisation. We are for local government and anyone with an interest in local democracy and finding local solutions to the challenges that we all face.

Our mission is to strengthen local democracy and localism by:

- Sharing best thinking
- A focus on practical intelligence & value
- New ideas, innovation + better practice

We are committed to supporting the sector in Australia and connecting local governments internationally to share ideas and best practice

LGIU Australia member benefits

96% of respondents say they use LGIU to keep up to date with what's happening across local government (2022 LGIU user survey)

“I championed our membership of LGIU as a great awareness and information source for council.” (2022 LGIU user survey)

Every employee and councillor has access to:

- [Daily News](#) - in your inbox before breakfast with a summary of the day's Australian local government press stories
- [Monday policy roundup](#) produced in partnership with ALGA – a summary of the week's state/federal policy updates that impact local government
- [Weekly policy briefings and case studies](#) and reports from Australian experts on Australian local governance issues
- [Global Local bulletin](#) - themed insights and best practices from around the world
- International Local government blog - first-hand insights from those working in and around local government
- Local government [panel sessions](#), events, workshops, roundtables and seminars
- An extensive [online archive](#) of Australian and international local government content
- Access to our [Local Democracy Research Centre's](#) outputs and the option to shape LGIU's academic research agenda
- Our new [Case Study Database](#) which pulls together all of our content that contains case studies to facilitate policy learning between councils

LGiU Australia member benefits

"Our members value being connected to new ideas and given the intellectual tools to operate effectively. Our daily news service informs members what's happening in local government nationally, and our briefings and research help decision-makers grasp policy issues quickly and introduce new thinking and innovations. LGiU is a hub for local government best thinking."

LGiU Chief Executive, Jonathan Carr-West



"Exposure to up-to-date information, research, training has helped me in my role as a service leader and has added value to understanding my role in terms of corporate planning." (2022 LGiU user survey)

"To build on its strengths, local government needs a continuous exchange of information and ideas across Australia and internationally. This will help councils address the challenges they face and demonstrate their vital contribution to our country's wellbeing. In short, local governments needs a dedicated national 'think tank' and that's exactly what LGiU Australia provides."

Graham Sansom

Adjunct Professor
UTS Centre for Local Government

LGIU Australia at a glance

2022

A network of **35,000** subscribers worldwide.

The LGIU is an ever-expanding local government community.

96% of members use LGIU to keep up to date with what's happening across local government.

We've partnered with ALGA to bring you a bumper edition of our Policy Roundup every two weeks. Delivered to your inbox first thing on Monday morning, this contains all your usual Australian local government and policy news from us, plus curated sector updates from ALGA.

75 in-depth Australian policy briefings and **212** international briefings.

75% of LGIU Australia members say that policy round-ups help them to quickly understand an issue.

"Helped me with policy and business case development on various issues." (Council officer, LGIU Australia member)

252 editions of Daily News delivered.

"I value the stories about projects by other councils. I forward relevant ones onto our leadership team and also use them as a guide for my role in specific projects and council activities." (Council officer, LGIU Australia member)

52 editions of Global Local distilling the best in global local government thinking every week.

137 blogs published. **48** research reports, guides and long reads.

"When looking at opportunities to innovate, I often look for news about innovations implemented by other councils." (Council officer, LGIU Australia member)

We held **10** online events on subjects from local government reform to COP26 attended by more than **800** attendees.

Connect with LGiU Australia

Interested in a **three month free trial**? All we ask is for feedback re what works and what we could improve.

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