

BIG IDEAS FOR THE FUTURE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT

LG:U Australia

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

As a member-led organisation, our purpose is to share ideas and best practice, encourage innovation and collaboration, and develop research that drives the sector forward.

Launched in February 2020, LGiU Australia is 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.







Our Vision

"At LGiU, we know that local government fulfils its potential when it has access to the best information, insight and ideas from home to abroad. Our ambition is to be the world's leading knowledge hub for local government and to create a global network of local authorities, public servants and politicians supporting each other to strengthen local democracy, improve public services and meet the complex challenges of the 21st century."

Jonathon Carr-West Chief Executive LGiU

"A certified B Corp, our team works to find solutions to pressing issues impacting Australia's place, communities and economies. Local governments are critical to shaping sustainable communities, and we're excited to help councils stay informed and create new ideas and solutions through LGiU Australia."

Alison Holloway Chief Executive Officer SGS Planning and Economics

Our Purpose

 CODESIGNED BY LOCAL COUNCILS AND FUNDED BY MEMBER COUNCILS

USED BY 30,000+ PUBLIC SERVANTS GLOBALLY

LGiU Australia is a place where local governments can connect and learn from each other, both locally and internationally. It's a place where information and new ideas are shared freely for more impact. And it's a place where local government leadership teams can collaborate and shape the future of local government.



Our Purpose in Action

SHARE & LEARN

Share knowledge on a national and international platform and stay ahead of evolving issues and trends

COLLABORATE

Collaborate with international and local councils on new ideas

SOLVE

Develop innovative solutions to issues impacting the local government sector

INFLUENCE

Influence reform by drawing on the expertise of LGiU and SGS Economics and Planning

CREATE

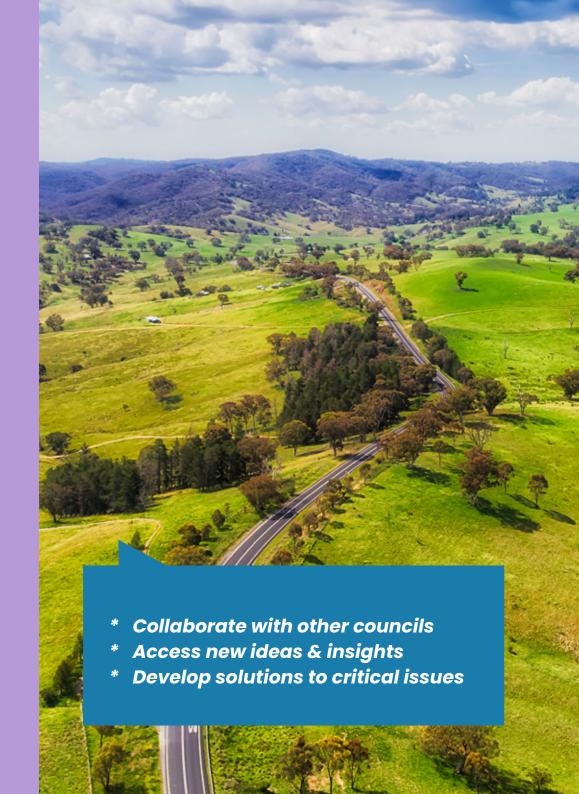
Conduct research and develop practical knowledge and insights

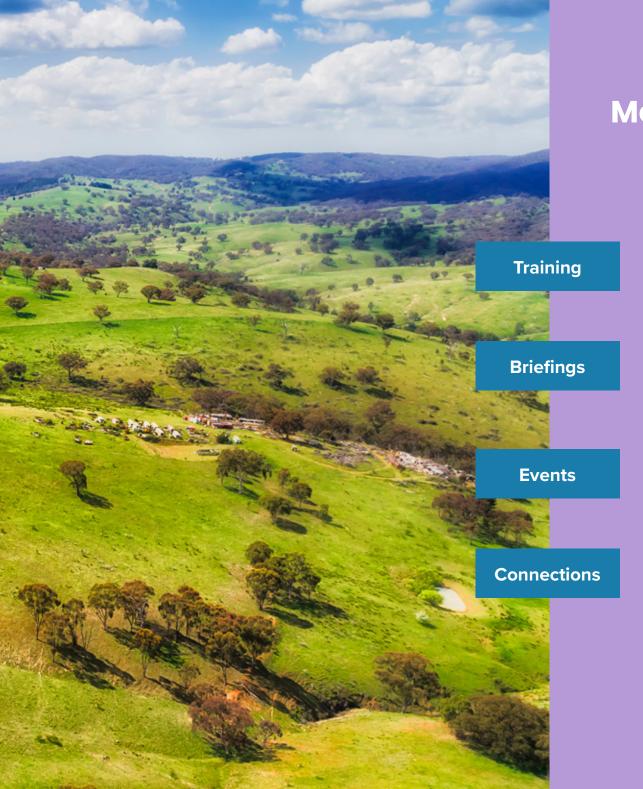
Member Benefits

LGiU Australia provides practical, up-to-the minute intelligence on policy issues pertinent to local government in Australia. It draws on information and good practice from all over Australia and around the world to help public servants make policy, support residents, work more effectively with colleagues, develop new ideas and address critical issues.

LGiU Australia offers membership to all Australian councils, government agencies, not for profit organisations and private companies. LGiU Australia also offers a premium service to councils interested in shaping the future of local government in Australia with blue-sky thinking and critical research.

LGiU Australia members have the opportunity to collaborate with more than 30,000 local government colleagues across the England, Wales, Scotland, Ireland and Australia. All members receive daily bulletins, policy briefings, guest blog posts, invitations to online events and access to member-only content on the LGiU global website.





Member Benefits

Learn new skills with seminars, workshops and courses tailored to the needs of modern policymakers.

Read what's working locally and globally, and be inspired by new ideas, research and solutions. Get daily inspiration.

Stay ahead of evolving issues and opportunities with virtual panels and talks with experts and leading innovators.

Collaborate with more than 30,000 local government colleagues locally and overseas.

Our Value

"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."

"Hawkesbury City Council are extremely happy to have signed up to LGiU Australia. We participated as part of the trial period and found great value in receiving this information daily and it's very useful understanding what other councils are doing during these unprecedented times. We look forward to continuing to receive this information."

Graham Sansom

Adjunct Professor UTS Centre for Local Government **Hawkesbury City Council**

What our members

say

The latest results of our member survey are shown on this page and give an honest look at how members value LGiU Australia services.

How valuable are the following LGiU Australia services?

Daily News 87%

of members found content valuable or very valuable

Weekly policy roundup 81%

of members found content valuable or very valuable

Australian policy briefings

82%

of members found content valuable or very valuable

COVID-19 pandemic bulletin

89%

of members found content valuable or very valuable

How have LGiU Australia services saved time or money?

Digesting lengthy reports on legislation

Providing vital information that has helped you with your job

Revealing new ideas that could change how you work

67% Summarising relevant new headlines for you

58% Use ideas to help you with your work

Try LGiU Australia Today

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Access a free, three month trial for your entire council

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The Benefits

Each member council receives up to **\$55,000 in value** -- plus member bonuses -- for an annual membership of between **\$1,000 and \$6,000** depending on the population size of the local government area.

Invitations to virtual Q&A panel events and training	Yes	\$5,000
Invitations to regular virtual talks with industry experts	Yes	
Weekly policy round up email	Yes	\$40,000
Weekly in-depth Australian policy briefings and research	Yes	
Daily local government news alert	Yes	\$10,000
VALUE		\$55,000

MEMBER BONUSES

Unlimited access to global LGiU briefings, publications, case studies, and research	Free	Bonus
1.5 hour virtual interactive workshops. Value: \$350 per attendee per workshop	Free	Bonus
3.5 hour virtual interactive workshops tailored to the needs of your council. Value: \$3,900 per workshop (eight attendees)	50% Discount	Bonus

Meet the team







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