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Local Government Procurement Network Meeting

The next Procurement Network meeting will be held in August, details are below:

Date: Tuesday 3 August 2010

Times: 9.30am to 12.30pm (a light lunch will be provided)

Venue: Local Government Centre, 28 Margaret Street Sydney

RSVP: Contact [Emma Murray](#)

An agenda will be available late July, if you have suggested agenda items please contact [Emma Murray](#).

[Register with the Procurement Network](#)



Robert Wilson OAM Award

LGP is sponsoring the Robert Wilson OAM Award for Services in Progressing Local Government Regional Cooperation. This is an annual award, which is in memory of long standing Councillor Robert Wilson OAM who died tragically in 2009.

The award will be for an individual councillor or council staff member for their efforts in Regional Cooperation Initiatives, where they have been nominated by their council. The award will encompass a small plaque (to be retained by the winner) and will include a \$1,000 donation to a charity of the winner's choice.

An application form, whereby councils can make nominations for the award, are available from [Emma Murray](#) at LGP. Criteria for the award will need to be addressed in the nomination.

Applications close on 9 July 2010 and the award will be announced and presented in late July.

Email Subscription

If you no longer wish to receive email notifications from Local Government Procurement Pty Ltd please contact info@lgp.org.au

Vendor Panel (e-Quotation system) is live for contracts LGP1008 and LGP1208!

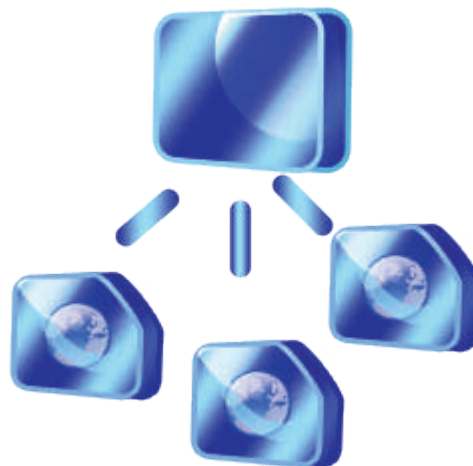
Vendor Panel is the easier and faster way to get quotations from suppliers. These online tools offer efficiency, security and a more targeted way of identifying which LGP Approved Contractors are the best match for experience, ideas, capabilities and availability for your project.

Utilising the system will provide you with additional information such as insurance details, web links to contractors, company profiles all regularly updated by the contractors themselves, no more outdated contact information.

Vendor Panel replaces both the manual quote form and Buyers Guide Matrix and is the only way quotations can be requested for the following contracts:

- LGP1208 - Engineering, Planning and Development and Community Professional Consulting Services (panel contract)
- LGP1008 - Provision of IT&C Professional Services (panel contract).

If you have not registered and would like to do so, or if you have any queries regarding Vendor Panel, please contact [Suska Timney](#) or call 02 8270 8706 or 0457 534 896.



Current Contracts

Visit the Current Contracts page on www.lgp.org.au for contract information, such as supplier contact details.

Advertising Agencies and Media Sydney Metropolitan Daily Newspapers and On-line Recruitment – LGP406 and LGP106

Chemicals – LGP408

Corporate Wardrobe – LGP107

Debt Recovery – LGP109

Engineering, Planning and Development and Community Professional Consulting Services—LGP1208

Heavy Plant and Equipment – LGP707-2

HR Temporary Placements and Associated Services – LGP808

IT&C Professional Services – LGP1008

Library Books and Audio Visual Materials – LGP507

Microsoft Licensing and Associated Products and Services via Large Account Resellers (LARs) – LGP108

Office Supplies and Associated Products and Services – LGP1007

Operating Lease Services (including end of lease equipment logistics) to cover ICT, Photocopiers and Other Office Equipment – LGP1107

Park and Street Furniture, Structures, Fittings and Playground Equipment – LGP308

PC's, Laptops, Servers and Associated Products and Services – LGP306

Pipes, Fittings and Fixtures and Associated Products and Services – LGP908

Plastic Mobile Garbage Bins – LGP206

RFID – LGP309

Safety Apparel and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) – LGP307

Small Plant and Outdoor Power Equipment – LGP508

Telecommunications – LGP407

Trucks, Garbage Collection/Compaction and Vehicle Mounted Street Sweeping Systems – LGP1608-E1

Workwear – LGP207.

Current Tenders

The following tenders have been advertised:

T11.07-2—Provision of Operating Lease Services

Provision of Operating Lease Services to cover IT, Telephony, Photocopiers & Printers & other Office Equipment. The lease services are for goods with an aggregate capital cost of approximately \$20 million excl GST.

Following the EOI, seven parties have been invited to be part of the selective tender, which closed on 8 January 2010. Four tenders were received. The instability in the financial markets (both locally and globally) has impacted significantly and as a result LGP has placed the process on hold pending a more stable market.

In the meantime LGP has temporarily extended the existing leasing contract (LGP1107).

Finance and Fleet Managers from Sydney Metro Councils – Are you claiming too much on your Street Sweepers?

WILL THE ATO ASK YOU TO REPAY OVERCLAIMED MONIES?

On the 24th May 2010 the ATO released information on the claiming of Fuel Tax Credits for heavy vehicles including Street Sweepers. The method of claiming differentiates between Metropolitan and Non-Metropolitan Councils. Of interest is the fact that Metropolitan Councils cannot claim all of their fuel usage as Road Transport. If you need further information please contact [Ian Trestrail](#) at AIT Specialists Pty Ltd on 0427 619 668.



ICAC—Corruption Prevention Workshops

The Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) has developed two new workshops on Corruption Prevention, details are below.

Corruption Prevention for Procurement Managers

Dates: 22 July 2010 or 14 October 2010

Times: 9am to 4.30pm

Cost: \$440 inc GST

Overview

Aims to equip managers who have no specialist knowledge or skills in procurement but have line responsibility for procurement to identify corruption risks in procurement in their workplace activities and develop a risk management approach to corruption prevention in their agencies.

Corruption Prevention for Procurement Officers

Dates: 13 August 2010 or 21 October 2010

Times: 9am to 4.30pm

Cost: \$440 inc GST

Overview

Designed to assist staff with procurement duties, particularly those with contract management roles, to understand the probity requirements and corruption risks associated with the procurement of goods and services. Essential for those who are new to the public sector.

For further information or how to register visit [ICAC's website](#) or contact [Mary Murabito](#), Training & Education Coordinator at ICAC on 02 8281 5729.

Local Government Procurement 2010 Annual Conference

Local Government Procurement is pleased to coordinate the 4th Annual Local Government Procurement Conference.

Date: Monday 22 and Tuesday 23 November 2010

Venue: Sydney Masonic Centre, 66 Goulburn Street Sydney.

Conference Brochure and Program

This will be developed soon. If you would like to suggest any speakers or topics please contact Emma Murray.

Trade Stand Opportunities

Suppliers if you would like information regarding the trade exhibition contact Emma Murray.

Further Information

For further information and updates contact [Emma Murray](#) or 02 8270 8700 or visit the [LGP website](#).



Working Together to Deliver on a New Sustainable Procurement Standard in the WaSIP Program

Sustainable Choice and LGP are working together to help councils deliver on new standards in the Waste and Sustainability Improvement Payment (WaSIP) Program.

Over the next six years, councils in the regulated (Waste-Levy paying) areas will receive WaSIP funding to assist in improving environmental sustainability. Through the WaSIP Program, a total of \$237.3 million will be available to eligible councils in the Sydney Metropolitan Area (SMA) and the Extended Regulated Area (ERA) and \$19.1 million to eligible councils in the Regional Regulated Area (RRA). Funding will be allocated in proportion to a council's population.

WaSIP standards will be identified each year in consultation with the WaSIP Advisory Group (which includes representatives of councils and LGSA) to help councils realise improvements in waste avoidance, the use of secondary resources and waste management outcomes and environmental sustainability. Councils that do not meet the Standards in any year will not be eligible for payments in that year, nor the future, until all standards have been met.

In 2010-2011, standards cover a wide range of improvements to waste and sustainability issues, including sustainable procurement. One of the new standards states that: **eligible councils must adopt a sustainable procurement program by 30 June 2011.**

Sustainable Choice is a sustainable procurement program conducted by LGSA (with funding from DECCW) to assist local government in meeting the above-mentioned WaSIP standard, by helping councils to develop sustainable procurement policies and purchase sustainable products and services. The [Sustainable Choice website](#) includes a comprehensive, searchable database of suppliers of sustainable goods and services.

Currently there are 58 member councils of Sustainable Choice. **Free for all NSW councils to join**, this program offers an impressive range of tools and resources, including 'in-house' training sessions in sustainable procurement for member councils. Sustainable Choice and LGP are also working together to help councils integrate sustainable procurement through their tender contracts.

For more information on how Sustainable Choice and LGP can benefit your council and help you address this new WaSIP Standard, please contact [Claire Huckerby](#), 02 9242 4000 or [Angela Tesoriero](#), 02 8270 8705.

Information in this article has been taken from the 2010-2011 WaSIP Guidelines for councils, NSW Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water. <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/waste/lcwpip.htm>

Meeting ESD Goals Through Sustainable Procurement

What is ESD? Ecologically Sustainable Development (ESD) is an approach that considers the needs of future generations while satisfying present day aspirations. It is part of councils' charter in the NSW Local Government Act 1993 to promote ESD principles.

Local councils are well placed to work towards ESD, and also to assist and lead their communities by example, regulation and education. Councils are extremely aware of the need to balance environmental, social, cultural and economic needs of their environment and community.

There is no single prescribed pathway to achieving ESD, rather there are a variety of ways to work towards it at a local level. This is where procurement fits into the equation.

Local councils can help to meet ESD goals through the implementation of sustainable procurement policies and practices, and the sharing of resources and ideas between councils. For councils, having a sustainable approach to procurement makes smart business sense as they must demonstrate thoughtful use of resources and incorporate long-term goals.

Many councils in NSW already have sustainable procurement policies or sustainability clauses in their existing procurement policy, and are working towards meeting ESD goals through their practices. These policies include sustainability criteria for the purchasing of all products and services, from small scale to large tender contracts.

Councils can become members of Sustainable Choice, a Local Government and Shires Associations' program, to receive assistance in developing and implementing sustainable purchasing policies. Visit the [Sustainable Choice website](#) for further information.

If your council would like more information about meeting ESD goals through procurement, please contact [Angela Tesoriero](#), 02 8270 8705 or [Claire Huckerby](#), 02 9242 4000.

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