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Key Dates

18 December 2024 | Opening of Call for Motions

31 March 2025 | Acceptance of Motions closes

24 June 2025 | Regional Cooperation & Development Forum

25 - 27 June 2025 | National General Assembly

To submit your motion

visit:

Background to ALGA and the NGA

Since 1994, the NGA has built the profile of local government on the national stage, showcased the



Submitting Motions

to a range of national priorities including affordable housing, energy transition, road safety, increasing

issue or question. Your council's motion/s must address one or more of the issues identified in the

the right to select, edit or amend notices of motions to facilitate the efficient and effective

To be eligible for inclusion in the NGA Business Papers, and subsequent debate on the floor of the



Not be focused on a specific jurisdiction, location or region – unless the project or issue has

Complement or build on the policy objectives of ALGA and your state or territory local

Be submitted by a council which is a financial member of their state or territory local government



Other things to consider

nominated contact of cer. With the agreement of the submitting council, these motions may be edited

To ensure an efficient and effective debate, where there are numerous motions on a similar issue, the

council which best summarises the subject matter.

- a contact of cer;
- a clear national objective;

Setting the scene

National Priorities Need Local Solutions



1. Intergovernmental relations

The inquiry also recommended National Cabinet would benefit from having more structured

Given the important role councils play delivering local solutions to national priorities, how can intergovernmental arrangements be further improved in Australia?

Are there new initiatives and programs that could be adopted to improve the level of cooperation and collaboration between the Australian Government and local government?





However, many councils are not resourced to effectively maintain their local roads, and independent



4. Emergency management

legislated to run for five years.

Both rounds of the Disaster Ready Fund have been significantly oversubscribed, and ALGA is advocating for a significant increase in federal funding to improve the emergency management

Review also supports a major capacity uplift for local government and an enhanced national training

What new programs, or improvements to existing programs, could the Australian Government develop to partner with local government to improve the current natural disaster management systems to further assist in recovery and build resilience?

How can the Government best support Australian councils to prepare for, respond to and recover from natural disasters?

5. Housing and homelessness

ambitious target of 1.2 million new, well-located homes over the next five years.

Another significant issue is local government's lack of input into setting housing policy at both a state,

A key focus for councils is ensuring that any new housing developments are not just supported by

What new programs and policies could the Australian Government develop to partner with

How can the Australian Government work with councils to address the causes and impacts of homelessness?

7. Community services

It is important to note that nationally local government is more than 83% self-sufficient ie funded

Local government community services are broadly defined, and may include but are not limited to:

Noting the funding arrangements for the provision of local government community services are there programs and initiatives that the Australian Government could implement to improve the delivery of these services?

Are there reforms or improvements in national community services program that would help local governments support the Australian Government to deliver on its national objectives?

9. Data, digital technology and cyber security

In recent times, cyber-attacks on major corporations and other businesses have resulted in significant

to ensure that the public have confidence in government information management systems and its

Drawing upon your council's experience, and your knowledge of other councils within your state or territory, are there programs and initiatives that the Australian Government could implement to help local government develop its digital technology services and infrastructure?

Are there actions the Australian Government could take to improve cyber security within the local government sector?





11. Environment

eroding the environment poses tangible risks to Australia's economic, financial and social stability."

How could the Australian Government partner with local government to strengthen Australia's environmental services and infrastructure?

What new programs could the Australian Government partner with local government in to progress local regional and national objectives?



12. Circular economy

while at-capacity landfills and emerging problematic materials pose serious operational challenges.

How could the Australian Government further strengthen product stewardship arrangements to support local governments in their endeavours to increase recycling and reduce the volume of waste?

How could the Australian Government partner with local government to advance the circular economy?



Conclusion

A final reminder:

Motions must not seek to advance an outcome that would result in a benefit to one group of



