

Legal and Ethical Responsibilities for Elected Members

Your responsibilities as a Councillor

Synopsis

Local Government exists under the Queensland Constitution and your roles and responsibilities are set out in the *Local Government Act 2009 (the Act)* and the *Local Government Regulation 2012 (the Reg)*.

The Act sets out a broad range of legislative requirements with which all councils in Queensland must comply. This program will discuss these topics and others.

Course Topics

- Local Government Act 2009
- Section 12 – Responsibilities of Councillors
- Local Government Regulation 2012
- Councillor Conduct
 - Unsuitable meeting conduct
 - Conduct breach
 - Misconduct
 - Prescribed conflict of interest
 - Declarable conflict of interest
 - Duty to report conflicts of interest
 - Offence to take retaliatory action
 - Maintaining records
 - Penalties

Course Details

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| Delivery: | Inhouse or Virtual |
| Structure: | Interactive Workshop |
| Time: | Half-day |
| Class Size: | Max 15 |
| Cost: | On request |

About the Trainer



Donna Neilson brings three decades of working in Local Government to Peak. With a background in law and many years as a councillor, she has an in-depth knowledge of the legislation and workings of councils.

As a former executive of numerous Boards, Donna has a wealth of experience in governance and uses a down to earth approach to help students understand their responsibilities.