

Northern Rivers Sustainable Procurement Forum

DATE

Wednesday
25 May 2016
9.15am – 2.30pm

LOCATION

Cabarita Beach Bowls
and Sports Club,
Cabarita Road,
Bogangar, NSW 2488

COST

FREE

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Overview

Hear about and explore strategies, case studies, innovation and resources for sensible, sustainable procurement. This forum is an opportunity to discover ways to implement sustainable procurement effectively within your organisation; with a focus on implementation tools and resources, evaluating sustainability in tenders and innovative sustainable materials that are available for use in civil construction. There will also be a number of suppliers brought directly to you, showcasing technology and innovation in sustainable products and purchasing. There will be opportunities to network with your colleagues and to connect with suppliers and environmental innovators.

Who should attend

Engineers, Asset Managers, Civil Construction Staff, Environmental Practitioners, Procurement Officers. Councillors and Mayors are also welcome.

Draft Programme

- 9.15am [Registration – arrival tea and coffee, networking and supplier stalls](#)
- 9.45am Official Opening, **Mayor of Tweed Shire Council, Cr Katie Milne**
- 9.55am Case Study – Sustainable Procurement in Construction Contracts, **Debbie Firestone, Tweed Shire Council**
- 10.15am Embedding Sustainability in the Procurement Process, **Dr Suzanne Grob, Procureability**
- 11.00am Case Study – City of Canterbury Council – Sustainable Procurement Implementation Initiatives, **Lyn Blain, City of Canterbury Council**
- 11.25am [Morning Tea \(trade show liaison with suppliers\)](#)
- 11.45am Case Study – Wollongong City Council – Procurement of a Green Cleaning Contractor, **David Peterson, Wollongong City Council**
- 12.05pm Asphalt – The environmental evolution, **Fulton Hogan**
- 12.25pm Sustainability in Local Government – What's in it for me?, **Michael Robinson, Local Government Procurement**
- 12.45pm Sustainable Choice Program Update, **Tania Lalor & Sara Lindqvist, Local Government NSW**
- 12.50pm Sustainable Choice Database & Meet the Suppliers, **Tania Lalor, Local Government NSW**
- 1.20pm [Lunch – networking and supplier stalls](#)
- 2.30pm [Forum close](#)

Process

The workshop consists of expert presenters, case studies and group discussions to assist participants to understand and practically apply the material presented in the forum. While the focus is on council operations, elected council representatives are also welcome to attend.

Facilitator

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[Register here](#)

Further detail overleaf.

Presentations Overview

Case Study – City of Canterbury Council – Sustainable Procurement Implementation Initiatives, Lyn Blain, City of Canterbury Council

A presentation on the implementation of sustainable procurement within local government organisations, including examples of systems and processes that have worked. This presentation would be of particular interest and benefit to procurement officers.

Asphalt – The environmental evolution, Fulton Hogan

A presentation which will look at the evolution of manufacturing in the asphalt industry – going from the predominant use of non-renewable materials, to now the extensive use of recycled materials in asphalt production. The presentation will look at research and development in this area, the technology used in today's asphalt plants, the use of recycled materials (eg milk bottles, glass, vehicle tires, etc) and the development of other sustainable bitumen based products, designed to provide long term environmental and fiscal sustainability.

Case Study – Wollongong City Council – A Clean and Green Future for the Administration Building: Procurement of a Green Cleaning Contract, Carl Hopley, Wollongong City Council

Wollongong City Council has incorporated stringent green cleaning requirements in the latest contract for the provision of cleaning services for the Administration Building. Due to the lack of recognised green cleaning standards and limited examples to draw from, the project team developed a bespoke specification along with supporting explanations.

Embedding Sustainability in the Procurement Process, Dr Suzanne Grob, Procureability

Dr Suzanne Grob conceptualised and led the delivery of the Australian and New Zealand Government Framework for Sustainable Procurement on behalf of the Australasian Procurement and Construction Council. Suzanne's presentation will provide guidance on efficient ways to incorporate sustainability into procurement processes and decision making, tailored specifically for local government. This presentation will include a workshop activity related to the topic.

Sustainability in Local Government – What's in it for me?, Michael Robinson, Local Government Procurement (LGP)

Michael Robinson (LGP - Acting General Manager) will not only provide feedback about what LGP is currently doing in terms of sustainable procurement, but will also be asking – What can LGP do to support you and council to achieve Sustainable outcomes?

Sustainable Choice Project Update, Tania Lalor and Sara Lindqvist, Local Government NSW

A brief outline of the Sustainable Choice program including; member services available; website resources; and current projects underway.

Sustainable Choice Database, Tania Lalor, Local Government NSW

A brief overview of the Sustainable Choice Sustainable Products and Services Database, including what it is, how to find it and how to use it. This presentation will be followed by an interactive 'Meet the Suppliers' session.