

PowerHousing Australia Conference: Session Plan

at 6 February 2012

TUESDAY: 13 March

5pm - 7pm

Assetic Strategic Asset Management, Silver Sponsors will hold a **MASTERCLASS in Best Practice** of Asset Management - Level 1, Canberra Suite

WEDNESDAY: 14 March

PLENARY: Level 2

Finance Breakout: Lower Ground

Operations Breakout: Lower Ground

Governance Breakout: Level 1

8.30 - 9.00 **REGISTRATION** and collection of Delegate Packs

9.00 - 9.15 **Welcome & Opening**; Lvl 2 Australia Ballroom;

9.15 - 10.45 **Hypothetical: 2020 VISION:** Dr Tim Williams will lead a panel to explore the impact of possible and probable social, political and financial events to create a vision of housing in Australia in 8 years time.

10.45 - 11.10 MORNING TEA: Lvl 1; Parkside Room

11.15 - 12.30	If Risk is analagous to Opportunity, how much does Risk Mitigation planning stifle entrepreneurial activity? Facilitated by Paul Somerville [Haven] and featuring Tony Cotter, CEO, Gallions Housing Association, UK	IT Procurement in the Community Housing Sector; the impact on whole of organisation. Facilitated by Allan Wilkerson [Access Housing]	Critical Governance issues to prepare for the future; Guest Speaker Julie Garland-McClellan from AICD
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12:35 - 1.15 LUNCH: Lvl 1; Parkside Room

1.20 - 2.15	Global and National Economic Update; Guest Speaker Mr Robert Henderson, Chief Economist, Markets, National Australia Bank	Stock Transfers - the Risks and Issues. [Double session] Facilitated by Niall Hensey [Haven] and featuring Geraldine Howley, CEO, InCommunities, UK and Mike Allen, Housing NSW	Issues Management and Reputation & the Media [Double session]. As our organisations grow, we draw more Government and Media attention.
2.20 - 3.15	Benchmarking Project Update. Facilitated by Mark Connolly [Hume CHA] and featuring Roger Jameson from Housing Information Solutions	Every recipient of Stock Transfers must consider the Financial, Place & People issues.	Facilitated by Heather Gilmore, Director of HG Communications. This double session will workshop Issues, Stakeholder and Influencer identification.

3.20 - 4.05 AFTERNOON TEA: Lvl 1; Parkside Room

4.10 - 5.30 **Policy settings, institutional arrangements and the capacity of the Australian affordable housing sector: where are we at and where are we heading?** Facilitated by Dr Ian Winter, Executive Director of AHURI and featuring a presentation from Associate Professor Vivienne Milligan. Panellists include Sean Innis, FaHCSIA and Dr Owen Donald, Chair of the National Housing Supply Council.

6.30 - 10.30 BANQUET: featuring a delicious 3-course meal, entertainment from **Jelly Bean Jam**, presentation of Awards, and opportunity for dancing and networking.

THURSDAY 15 March

9.00 - 9.15 **Summary of Day 1.** Our Conference rapporteur is **Dr Tony Gilmour**, independent consultant to the Affordable Housing Sector.

9.15 - 10.30 **Up-skilling our Boards.** The trend to "upskill" not for profit Boards is increasing as organisations grow larger and exposure to risk increases. We will explore the issues of what makes a good Director, what is good governance and how do we attract the right candidates. Facilitated by Scott Langford, PHA Director

10.30 - 10.55 MORNING TEA - Lvl 1; Parkside Room

11.00 - 11.55

IT Selection & Implementation of New Systems: the Financial implications; Facilitated by Mark Connolly; Featuring Roger Jameson, Housing Information Solutions

Management of Indigenous Issues in Urban and Remote Regional locales. How 2 organisations manage the challenges from NSW and NT; Featuring Karen Walsh [St George CH] and Jan Berriman [Central Australian AHC]

Change, Engagement & Retention Workshop [Double Session]; Featuring Suellen McCaffery, Manager People & Development [St George CH]

12.00 - 12.55

Mergers & Acquisition - Growing at What Cost? Facilitated by Mark Highfield [BlueCHP] and featuring Steve Coffey, CEO, Liverpool Mutual Homes, UK.

NRAS: Where are we at? And where could we be? Maximising NRAS Opportunities; Facilitator and panellists still to be sourced.

Suellen will workshop the four quadrants of change, a model of change management, which she successfully used to lead St George CH through organisational change in 2011.

1.00 - 1.40 LUNCH: Lvl 1 Parkside Room

1.45 - 2.40

Out-Sourcing; Taking it beyond Asset Maintenance and into the whole organisation. What are the impacts on your organisations? Facilitated by Paul Somerville [Haven] with panellists still to be sourced.

Community Development: Tenant Participation; Enriching the lives of our Tenants and Communities and benefitting our organisations. Facilitated by Allan Wilkerson [Access Housing] and featuring Geraldine Howley, CEO, InCommunities, UK

Good practice in a changing regulatory environment: national regulation and governance. Facilitator and panellists to be sourced

2.45 -3.45 **International Housing Partnership:** What is the IHP? Why does it make sense? Why do we invest in it? What are we learning from each other, what are we doing together, how does it make what we do better and how do we build on our individual strengths?

3.50 - 4.10 AFTERNOON TEA: Lvl 1, Parkside Room

4.15 - 5.00 **CLOSING PLENARY:** Dr Tony Gilmour will deliver a precis of the Conference proceedings and ask the question, What have we achieved in the last 2 days?

6.00 - 8.00 **COCKTAIL RECEPTION:** For those Members staying for the Workgroup meetings on Friday, and for any Guests and Members in the mood for a post-conference confab, your are cordially invited to the final social networking event of our Conference.