



Environmental Development and Allied Professionals

Summer/Autumn 2019 Newsletter

Environmental & Development Industry News

Joint procurement of waste management services

Joint procurement of waste management services by councils in NSW is enabled by the LG Act. Procurement processes must adhere to the competition, consumer and fair trading laws. Councils considering joint procurement should apply for and obtain authorisation from the ACCC before commencing preparations for any joint tender process, including preparing the request for tenders, draft contracts and specifications, conducting industry consultation and advertising the tender.

https://www.lindsaytaylorlawyers.com.au/in_focus/index.php/2019/02/joint-procurement-of-waste-management-services-by-councils/

Swimming pools and certification

To sell a property with a swimming pool or spa pool, the owner must have a certificate of compliance, a certificate of non-compliance or an occupation certificate for the pool.

To lease a property with a pool, the owner must have a certificate of compliance or an occupation certificate for the pool.

Pool barriers can be inspected by a local council or a private certifier accredited in category A1, A2, A3 or E1 who is listed on the Swimming Pool Register. As of September 2018 Category A1 and A2 certifiers (in the private sector or employed by a council) are the only certifiers who may certify pool barriers that have a 'performance solution' under the Building Code of Australia (BCA).

Some swimming pool certifiers can also carry out minor repairs, valued at up to \$1,000, to make a swimming pool compliant. To do so, they must be authorised under the Home Building Act to carry out swimming pool building or structural landscaping.

<http://bpb.nsw.gov.au/swimming-pools-and-certification>

Kaldas review of decision-making in the planning system

Nick Kaldas, former NSW Deputy Police Commissioner and Director of Internal Oversight Services for the UN's Relief Works Agency, was engaged to review the integrity of decision making and undertake a holistic review of governance across the planning system.

The NSW Government has accepted all 19 of the recommendations made in the review, including the creation of a new Ethics Unit, mandatory probity checks for all IHAP members including community representatives, and an infrastructure contribution audit.

<https://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/Assess-and-Regulate/About-compliance/Kaldas-review>



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EDAP Western Group Conference 2019 – Bourke 3-5 April 2019

The 19th EDAP Western Group Conference incorporating the 70th Western Group Regional Conference will be held in Bourke on 3-5 April 2019. Come along for a catch-up and to hear the latest on regional health and development issues.

The EDAP AGM will be held on the Thursday afternoon aboard the Jandra (image below). If you're interested in joining the EDAP committee don't forget to nominate ahead of the conference. Cocktails will be available at the meeting.



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EDAP membership now at 559

Medical

The Godfather of EDAP, Mr Alan Lindsay, recently had open heart surgery at the Mater Hospital in North Sydney. He is recovering well and was humbled by all the EDAP members who visited him in hospital and sent their best wishes. Alan was thrilled to receive a lovely massage gown and toiletries kit from our long-time friend and sponsor Charlie Carlyon from Sims METAL.



Above: Alan recovers from heart surgery with a light pool session