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PHASE 2 - ASSESSMENT TOOL

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The purpose of this toolkit (phase 2) is to work together with the practitioners guide (phase 1) to assist local governments to develop the capacity to deal with tourism in their local destinations. The toolkit is not intended to provide specific solutions to specific problems. Rather, it is aimed at assisting local government and local government (tourism) officers to better understand the issues and problems they currently face, and to identify broad management strategies and principles that can be used to address these issues. It may be a simple matter that, after working through this toolkit you conclude you are doing things correctly. Or you may draw the conclusion that the issues are far more complex than you originally anticipated, and it is necessary to seek further expert advice. You may identify particular aspects of tourism management that require further examination or that tourism needs to be organised differently. Whatever the outcome, this toolkit will assist in identifying the right questions to ask and how to get useful answers. It is a fundamental tenet of this project that better understanding of problems and issues is an essential forerunner to the identification of appropriate management strategies and solutions.

In order to benefit from the contents of this toolkit (phase 2) and, more broadly, the practitioners guide (phase 1), two main requirements are necessary:

1. Critical and reflective individuals who are open to different points of view, and who have the skills to be able to ask the hard questions.
2. Sufficient information and understanding to be able to ask the right questions.

Of course, even if you ask the hard questions and the right questions, you will still need sufficient good will, commitment and innovative capacity to facilitate change.

The approach is to identify a number of questions relating to the local management of tourism that are commonly asked by elected representatives, local government tourism officers, local tourism organisation board members and other interested stakeholders. Activities and exercises are then proposed to assist in addressing these questions. In this way, the toolkit assists local actors to reflect upon issues and problems to help move forward and identify management approaches that are appropriate to the particular circumstances in their local destination.
The questions identified below have emerged from extensive consultation with local government stakeholders and reflect some very common issues and problems that characterise local government approaches to tourism management.

<table>
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<th>Themes *</th>
<th>Key Questions</th>
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| Local government management principles        | What are my own beliefs, ideas and ethical principles that I would like to pursue? How widely are these shared?  
What are the tourism management principles appropriate for this destination? |
| Tourism roles and responsibilities            | What are the roles of responsibilities for tourism that we can and should address?                                                           |
| Changing role of local government             | What are the roles that your local council has already accepted in relation to tourism management?                                           |
| Drivers influencing local government tourism management approaches | What are the events and issues happening outside this local government area that are affecting the way that council identifies and prioritises tourism issues?  
What external demands are being placed on council at the moment? From other levels of government? From the community? From business and industry interests? |
|                                               | What is the broad management philosophy of my council? How does it impact upon tourism management?  
What are the competing priorities on Council’s agenda at the moment? |

* Each of these themes corresponds with a chapter in the Guide. The themes have emerged out of the exploratory research undertaken in multiple local government areas as a result of the Sustainable Tourism CRC project.
Exercise 1: Tourism Fundamentals

Before we start to address some of these questions, it is useful to first take stock of the situation and develop an overarching understanding of what council is doing and not doing. This is not to say that council should be doing everything as there are priorities and resources that need to be balanced. However, the fundamentals identified in the checklist below provide a starting point for assessing some of the elements in developing a strong base for local government management of tourism. These fundamentals have been developed from and should be read in conjunction with the local government tourism management principles outlined in Chapter 1 of the Practitioners Guide (phase 1). They have been adapted, modified and extended considerably from previous research (Carson & Beattie 2002; Carson, Beattie & Gove 2003).

What you need to do

1. Run through the checklist to determine to what extent your council has covered these fundamental elements. If you can answer ‘yes’ to a question, but need to qualify your response, also note this down.

2. Looking back over this list, summarise the strengths and weaknesses of your local council’s approach to tourism.

3. Apply this checklist to a range of stakeholders in your destination. Compare and contrast their answers. Compile the results as a two page summary and communicate it back to stakeholders to help build their knowledge and appreciation of other points of view.

Explanation

This exercise is aimed at developing an appreciation for the strengths and weaknesses of Council’s current approach, and where further attention is needed.

It is useful for all stakeholders involved in tourism to complete this exercise separately. You may find that different stakeholders have different perceptions and ideas about current strengths and weaknesses of your council’s approach. The value of this exercise then is to identify how views vary and to develop an overall position on the strengths or weaknesses of the current situation. This may be done in a variety of ways through:

- organised focus groups or workshops with invited participants, each stakeholder specific
- a mail survey of stakeholders in the local government area
- individual discussions with each stakeholder (in person or on the telephone)

When deciding how this activity is executed, think carefully about how the method you adopt will affect the type and number of stakeholders providing answers, and how this might affect your results. In other words, be aware of the particular advantages and disadvantages of your approach and its effects on your results.
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### Tourism Fundamentals

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<th>FUNDAMENTAL ELEMENT</th>
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### Principle 1: SUSTAINABLE TOURISM STRATEGY
- Council has a documented tourism strategy
- If yes, the tourism strategy is no more than five years old
- If yes, the tourism strategy is reviewed at least annually
- The objectives of the tourism strategy address social, economic, cultural and environmental issues relating to tourism
- Tourism is addressed within council’s strategic statement, corporate plan or equivalent
- Tourism objectives are consistent with council’s strategic objectives
- There is clear coordination of tourism responsibilities within council

### Principle 2: GOOD GOVERNANCE
- Council has a set of measurable and measured tourism objectives
- The way these objectives are measured is clear and unambiguous
- Council has clear guidelines for public participation in tourism planning and decision making processes
- A range of stakeholders from business, community, NGOs, etc., participate in tourism planning and management processes
- There are identified reporting lines for tourism responsibilities
- Council has clear guidelines for outsourcing, purchasing and procurement of tourism services

### Principle 3: POSITIVE CULTURES
- There is an industry assistance program for tourism businesses (help with gaining licenses and permits, business development services etc.)
- Networks of interested stakeholders are fostered and managed according to their strengths and weaknesses
- There is a shared sense of purpose and direction within the community of tourism stakeholders
- Council participates in external tourism forums
- Council works well with external tourism agencies
### Principle 4: INFORMED AND RIGOROUS PLANNING

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<td>There is useful data at different scales (e.g. local, regional) that informs council’s tourism management approach</td>
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<td>Council contributes to a knowledge base of tourism research</td>
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<td>Relevant information and data is collected, collated and communicated to interested stakeholders</td>
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<td>Tourism planning and management is based on analysis of the situation and consideration of alternative courses of action</td>
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<td>Values and ideas embedded in council’s tourism management approach are clearly articulated</td>
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### Principle 5: CLARITY OF COUNCIL’S CONTRIBUTION

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<td>Council has a clearly articulated statement about the nature and extent of its support for tourism</td>
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<td>Council supports tourism through in-kind contributions</td>
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<td>Council supports tourism through expertise, data collection and knowledge building</td>
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<td>Council supports tourism in a financial capacity</td>
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<td>Council effectively represents local interests at the regional level through its participation in regional organisations</td>
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<tr>
<td>Council supports tourism management, tourism marketing and tourism development functions</td>
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Exercise 2: Defining local tourism management principles

Following on from outlining broad tourism management principles in Chapter 1 of the Practitioners Guide (phase 1), the identification of local principles requires two levels of awareness. First, one has to be aware of personal ideas, values and ethics and how their position within the destination management system can work to legitimise these ideas or not. For example, if the local government tourism officer has a marketing qualification and they conceive their job in marketing and promotion terms only, then community engagement beyond industry interests and marketing concerns will be given a lower priority. Second, it is important to consider how widely (or not) these value sets are held across different stakeholder groups and individuals engaged in local tourism policy and planning and the relative weight of these value sets in council decision-making. For example, the same tourism officer, interested primarily in local tourism marketing and promotion, will likely be frustrated in their efforts to lobby council for more marketing funds when the council’s immediate concerns are focused on managing community backlash from tourism.

As previously discussed in Chapter 1 of the Practitioners Guide (phase 1), it is important to first examine your own ideas, beliefs and ethical positions in relation to tourism management in the destination. These belief and value sets shape what you seek to get out of the process, how you act and who you engage with. In a good local government tourism planning and policy process, these values will be communicated and mediated. Ideally, most of the principles that will underpin your tourism planning and management process will be reached through a process of collective discussion and consensus building. It is often useful to interrogate these values by looking at a particular situation, event or issue that has arisen and how you understand and explain it.

It is also important to understand and appreciate the beliefs and value sets that drive other stakeholders. While diversity of values and interests amongst stakeholders is inevitable, the extent of conflicting values and ethical principles shapes processes of communication and consensus building. Building tolerance and embracing diversity are important in collaborative tourism planning.

Exercise 2a: Interrogating your own values and ideas

What you need to do

What are your own beliefs, ideas and ethical principles about tourism management that you would like to pursue? How widely are these shared?

1. Identify a recent decision about tourism and examine your own ideas and feelings about the issue. Why?
   a. Use the following points to guide your reflection:
      i. Describe the issue or event.
      ii. What decision was made?
      iii. What values were given precedence over others? Why?
      iv. What did you agree with and disagree with about that decision? Why?

2. What do you understand about your own values, ideas and ethical position from the above exercise?

3. Repeat this exercise for your perception of other stakeholders. How do their values, ideas and positions differ from your own? How are they similar?
Exercise 2b: Defining local tourism management principles for the destination

What you need to do

The objective of this exercise is to identify shared values and common beliefs about the way tourism should be managed. This provides the starting point to establish the broad tourism management principles on which tourism should be based in your local government area. Other ideas, beliefs and issues, over which there is no common agreement, should also be noted and should not be discounted. These will most likely take more time, resources and greater attention to reach a common platform.

1. Each stakeholder should answer the question: What should be the tourism management principles underpinning this destination?

2. As a collective, explore what ideas, values and beliefs are shared? What ideas, values and beliefs are not shared? Why?

3. Using and adapting the principles developed in (1) above, can you identify a set of collective principles based on these beliefs and ideas?

4. Now, identify the principles on which there is no common agreement. Discuss these and prioritise them. Identify how these principles can be moved forward. For example, is more information needed?

Explanation

This exercise is intended to get stakeholders sharing their values and ideas in an effort to develop a collective position and a set of shared principles for managing the local destination. The exercise will also help you understand why a collective position may not be reached in the short term on certain principles, and to identify the differences of opinion and values that contribute to these diverging positions. It is important not to discount these or marginalise their importance. They can be returned to for discussion at a later date.

With respect to principles on which there are diverging opinions or no consensus, it may appear that there is no common ground and that conflict between stakeholders is intractable. In an effort to move forward it may be useful to assign these for resolution at a future meeting. Identify ways that you may be able to move these forward at a future meeting. For example, is more information needed? Is more discussion required? Is it useful to examine what other destinations have done? In other words, design a strategy to move these differences of opinion forward into negotiation and compromise.
**Exercise 3: Identify the changing role of your local government**

Understanding the changing role of local government in tourism is the forerunner to mapping out future directions and potential roles that your local council may take in tourism planning and management. As discussed in Chapter 3 of the Practitioners Guide, local government can take on various roles and responsibilities with respect to tourism planning and management. It is important that councils consider these roles and responsibilities and they do not unconditionally and uncritically accept directives from regional and state agencies, NGOs and other agencies without considering the implications of these directives in the local context. For instance, state and national level marketing campaigns that are likely to increase visitation in areas that are already stressed have management implications for local councils. Local governments need to be actively engaged in these wider debates and have input into these initiatives so as to proactively manage the implications for local councils and communities.

Moreover, your council’s approach does not necessarily have to reflect previous roles and responsibilities, especially if they have been unsatisfactory in the past. The first step is identifying existing roles and responsibilities that impact upon tourism planning and management.

**What you need to do**

Examine the relevant legislation discussed in Chapter 3 of the Guide and detailed in Appendix B. Identify roles and responsibilities embodied in this legislation that affect tourism planning and management in your destination. Identify how tourism planning and management can be advanced using existing and potential roles and responsibilities (rather than creating new structures and processes). The following table may help you to organise your thoughts.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Local Government Roles and Responsibilities</th>
<th>Activities/ tasks council currently undertakes</th>
<th>Matters for Investigation</th>
<th>Potential Actions</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Local government management</td>
<td>Creation of council committees, corporations, participation on external committees</td>
<td>What governance arrangements are possible to manage relationships between council, industry and the community?</td>
<td>Identify various models and their advantages and disadvantages for a meeting of interested stakeholders.</td>
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</tbody>
</table>
| Planning                                    | Regional planning Strategic planning Development assessment Planning policies Regional organisations of councils (ROC) participation | How can tourism interests be articulated within the existing planning frameworks?  
• Can tourism matters be addressed in the regional plan, local strategic plan, LEP or equivalent?  
• Is there an opportunity to develop a local planning policy to address tourism related issues, e.g. to regulate the operation and location of bed and breakfast establishments or managing the impacts of rental accommodation on local residents? | Liaise with planning officers  
Examine the charters of other organisations the council currently participates in and whether tourism management issues can be raised within this forum. |
### Local Government Roles and Responsibilities

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<th>Matters for Investigation</th>
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<td>Community / social / cultural</td>
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<td>Public health</td>
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<td>Tourism</td>
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**EXPLANATION**

This task is designed to help you better understand what council can do to more effectively manage tourism. Down-shifting of policy functions and cost-shifting to lower levels of government has become an increasing issue in recent years for local government (see Chapter 4 of the Guide). It is important that councils work effectively within current processes and roles and responsibilities rather than create new areas, processes and management domains. For this reason, the most effective way of planning and managing tourism is within existing functions of council. There are some who have argued that incorporating tourism issues and concerns within existing statutory frameworks (e.g. using local environment plans, local area plans, strategic plans and forward planning documents to espouse tourism strategies) is also a more effective way of achieving tourism planning and management (Dredge 1998; Thomas & Thomas 1998). Perhaps this can be investigated.
Exercise 4: Identifying drivers influencing council’s direction

This exercise is designed to help you identify your preferred level and type of involvement in tourism planning and management. This exercise is closely related to the exercise above in that, after you have identified what Council might be able to do, it is then important to prioritise and decide what can be done. It is important to have consistency between what can be done and council’s own priorities and interests. For example, if your local council is predominantly interested in managing the social impacts of tourism on local residents, then perhaps addressing these impacts through existing planning frameworks might take higher priority than setting up marketing and promotional campaigns which will only increase visitation. In order to identify these priorities and develop an understanding of where council should be placing its energies, it is first important to identify those events and issues happening outside the local government area that are affecting the way that council identifies and prioritises issues.

What to do

- Organise a community roundtable to consider the relative importance of tourism in comparison to other competing issues. In this community roundtable you might:
  - Identify the social, economic and environmental influences that are impacting upon your local destination.
  - Consider the impact that these changes are having on the political importance of tourism in your local government area.
  - Identify a set of priorities for council action.

The following questions provide a guide or starting point for the roundtable discussion. It is important to review these questions and add, modify or delete those which are not relevant or would not add value to your roundtable discussions.

<table>
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<th>Factors</th>
<th>Key inquiring questions</th>
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<td>Economic drivers</td>
<td>What are the key economic drivers for your local government area? Is tourism regarded as a key industry now? Is tourism seen as a key industry for future economic growth and employment in the area? Are there specific groups for which tourism is a key economic activity? Why?</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Population growth and demographic change</td>
<td>What are the characteristics of population growth and change in your local government area? How does this growth and these demographic changes influence the importance of tourism?</td>
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<tr>
<td>Environmental awareness</td>
<td>What are the levels of environmental awareness in the community? Are local residents concerned about the environmental impacts of tourism? Are there community groups concerned with environmental issues? Is there an environmental management plan which incorporates tourism and recreation issues?</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Political importance of tourism</td>
<td>What is the political importance of tourism in your local government area? What are the other issues that tourism competes with for local government attention and support? Will tourism be more or less important on your Council’s agenda in the future? Why?</td>
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</table>
EXPLANATION

The above questions may be raised and discussed in a community roundtable forum so that the issues that are competing for local government’s limited resources and attention become clear. It is important to develop a realistic understanding of the political importance of tourism within your destination community so that strategies to manage its relevance and importance can be framed in ways that are relevant to the community and the local government.

The discussion of competing interests should lead towards the identification of a clear statement about the importance of tourism to the local community in the short, medium and long term. This statement should be agreed upon by the widest array of community interests. In summing up discussions amongst community roundtable participants the following questions may be used:

- What are the short-term issues facing the community? Prioritise this list. Where does tourism fall relative to other issues?
- Repeat this question identifying medium and long term issues facing the community.
- What is the relationship between tourism and competing issues? Is there a link or relationship that can be used to boost the importance of tourism?
- What strategies might be used to demonstrate the importance of tourism relative to other competing issues? What actions are required?
- What external demands are being placed on council at the moment? From other levels of government? From the community? From business and industry interests?
Exercise 5: Council’s management approach to tourism

As discussed in Chapter 4 of the Guide, Australian local governments are under increasing pressure to do more with less. Expansion of policy areas and cost-shifting from upper to lower levels of governments are major concerns. In this context it is important to consider your council’s management philosophy and where tourism sits within this. In other words, this exercise asks: What is the broad management philosophy of my council? How does it impact upon tourism management?

**WHAT TO DO**

Identify your Council’s broad management philosophy by examining the institutional arrangements currently in place and local factors that influence policy and decision-making. Use the questions and checkboxes in the table below as a guide for determining whether the focus is more achieving economic or community oriented goals.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Current council management approach</th>
<th>Orientation</th>
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<td>Partnerships and alliances with non-government sectors</td>
<td>Economic</td>
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<td>Participatory engagement with diverse communities of interest</td>
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<td>Private sector financial management approaches</td>
<td>Economic</td>
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<td>Benchmarks and indicators for service delivery and entrepreneurialism</td>
<td>Economic</td>
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<td>Contracting out of most services (e.g. garbage collection, cleaning, childcare, aged care services)</td>
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<td>Emphasis in determining where spending priorities lie</td>
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<td>Focus of interests of local elected representatives</td>
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<td>Expertise of senior local government managers</td>
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<td>Interests of senior local government managers</td>
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<td>Focus of council spending priorities (e.g. economic growth or community development)</td>
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<td>Resources and expertise in local community (e.g. economic or social capital)</td>
<td>Economic</td>
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<tr>
<td>The location of tourism in Council’s organisational structure</td>
<td>Economic</td>
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<td>Background, interests and expertise of local government tourism officers</td>
<td>Economic</td>
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</table>
EXPLANATION

From the above exercise the nature of your council’s general management approach should be more explicit. Some councils will have a clear economic development focus and will more likely opt for marketing and promoting the economic development aspects of tourism. Other councils may have a stronger community oriented focus and will tend to be more interested in managing visitor impacts. Many councils will find themselves in a middle position where difficult decisions need to be made that balance community versus economic goals. In this case, your council’s management approach to tourism will be driven by the ebb and flow of local issues and the relative importance of these contrasted with other issues. This exercise helps to develop insights into what issues and approaches council will be more likely or less likely to adopt. These are important considerations when deciding on the best management model for tourism for your local government.

Conclusion

We hope that undertaking the exercises has been a useful process for you and for your organisation. It will have left more questions unanswered than answered, but at least it is a start toward strategic tourism management at the local government level. The local can be powerful and the local can have a major impact in determining its own destiny. But, that can't happen without understanding the place in all its complexities, including its external environment. Develop the right tourism and it can be good for the whole ‘town’; do it wrong and it will disadvantage many and cause conflict. A reflective and critical approach, in full awareness of the internal and external influences, is required.
APPENDIX A: LOCAL GOVERNMENT WEBSITES

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATIONS WEBSITES

Australian Local Government Association www.alga.asn.au
New South Wales www.lgov.org.au
Queensland www.lgaq.asn.au
Victoria www.mav.asn.au
South Australia www.lga.sa.gov.au
Tasmania www.lgat.tas.gov.au
Western Australia www.walga.asn.au
Northern Territory www.lgant.nt.gov.au

LINKS TO OTHER COUNCILS

Western Australia Department of Local Government and Regional Development – Local Government Contacts www.dlgrd.wa.gov.au/localGovt/localGovtContacts/localGovtList.asp
Northern Territory Department of Community Development, Sport and Cultural Affairs – Council Contacts www.dcdsca.nt.gov.au/dcdsca/intranet.nsf/pages/lgrd_lg_councilcontacts

Note: These website addresses were current at June 2006.
APPENDIX B: LOCAL GOVERNMENT – FURTHER LEGISLATION (BY STATE)

(Note that all sites were current as at June 2006)

1. Local Government Legislation

**New South Wales**


- **Local Government Act 1993**
  An Act to provide for local government in New South Wales.

- **Local Government and Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Transfer of Functions) Act 2001**
  An Act to amend the *Local Government Act 1993* and the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* so as to transfer provisions relating to certain local government functions from the one to the other; to make consequential amendments to other Acts; and for other purposes.

**Queensland**


- **Local Government Act 1993**
  An Act to provide for local government, and for related purposes.

- **Local Government (Community Government Areas) Act 2004**
  An Act to declare particular parts of Queensland to be local government areas under the *Local Government Act 1993*, establish new local governments for the areas, and apply provisions of that Act to the areas and local governments, and for other purposes.

- **Local Government (Aboriginal Lands) Act 1978**
  An Act to provide for the creation of a local government area at Aurukun and a local government area at Mornington Island and for purposes connected therewith.

- **Local Government (Queen Street Mall) Act 1981**
  An Act to provide for the establishment, management, operation, extension and use of a pedestrian mall, in Brisbane, to be known as the Queen Street Mall and for related purposes.

- **Local Government (Chinatown and the Valley Malls) Act 1984**
  An Act to provide for the establishment, management, operation, extension and use of pedestrian malls, in Brisbane, to be known as the Chinatown Mall and The Valley Mall and for related purposes.

- **Local Government (Robina Central Planning Agreement) Act 1992**
  An Act to provide for the approval of an agreement relating to the planning and development of certain land at Robina in the Shire of Albert, and for other purposes.
Victoria

Local Government Act 1989
The purpose of this Act is to –
(a) provide for a democratic, efficient and effective system of local government in Victoria; and
(b) give Councils powers which will enable Councils to meet the needs of their communities; and
(c) provide for an accountable system of local government; and
(d) reform the law relating to local government in Victoria.

South Australia

Local Government Act 1999
An Act to provide for local government; and for other purposes.

Local Government (Forestry Reserves) Act 1944
An Act to provide for the establishment and management of forests by municipal and district councils, and for incidental purposes.

Local Government (Implementation) Act 1999
An Act to provide for the implementation of new legislation relating to the system of local government in the State by the repeal or amendment of certain legislation and the enactment of transitional provisions; and for other purposes.

Local Government Finance Authority Act 1983
An Act to establish a corporation to be known as the "Local Government Finance Authority of South Australia"; to make provision relating to the financial powers and relations of the Authority, councils and other bodies; and for other purposes.

South Australian Local Government Grants Commission Act 1992
An Act to provide for the continued existence of the South Australian Local Government Grants Commission; to provide for the exercise and performance by it of its powers and functions; to repeal the South Australian Local Government Grants Commission Act 1976; and for other purposes.

Tasmania
http://www.thelaw.tas.gov.au

Local Government Act 1993
http://www.thelaw.tas.gov.au/tocview/index.w3p;cond=yes;doc_id=95%2B%2B1993%2BAT%40EN%2B20060313230000;histon=;prompt=;rec=;term=
An Act to provide for local government and establish councils to plan for, develop and manage municipal areas in the interests of their communities

Local Government (Highways) Act 1982
http://www.thelaw.tas.gov.au/tocview/index.w3p;cond=yes;doc_id=57%2B%2B1982%2BAT%40EN%2B20060313230000;histon=;prompt=;rec=;term=
An Act to consolidate with amendments certain enactments concerning the functions of the corporations of municipalities with respect to highways and certain other ways and places open to the public.

Local Government (Subdivision Approval Validation) Act 1995
http://www.thelaw.tas.gov.au/tocview/index.w3p;cond=yes;doc_id=26%2B%2B1995%2BAT%40EN%2B20060314000000;histon=;prompt=;rec=;term=
An Act to validate certain approvals for plans of subdivisions made under the Local Government Act 1962.
Local Government (Building and Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1993
http://www.thelaw.tas.gov.au/tocview/index.w3p;cond=;doc_id=96%2B%2B1993%2BAT%40EN%2B20060313230000;histon=;prompt=;rec=;term=
An Act to provide for matters relating to building and for miscellaneous matters relating to local government.

Western Australia
http://www.slpa.wa.gov.au

Local Government Act 1995
An Act to provide for a system of local government in Western Australia, to amend the Local Government Act 1960 and for related purposes.

Local Government Grants Act 1978
An Act to provide for the distribution to local governments in Western Australia of certain financial assistance provided by the Commonwealth and the establishment of a Western Australian Local Government Grants Commission and for incidental and other purposes.

Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1960
An Act to deal with certain matters concerning local government.

Local Government Water Supply Preservation Act 1892
An Act for preventing Pollution of the Waters within the Catchment Basins and Reservoirs of Local Government Water Supply Areas.

Caravan Parks and Camping Grounds Act 1995
An Act to provide for the regulation of caravanning and camping, to control and license caravan parks and camping grounds, to provide for standards in respect of caravans, to amend certain Acts and for related purposes.

Northern Territory

Local Government Act
http://notes.nt.gov.au/dcm/legislat/legislat.nsf/64117ddb0f0b89f482561cf0017e56f/ca87f52340166f86692570de00129707/$FILE/Repl018.pdf
An Act to continue to provide for the constitution of municipalities and community government areas and for the election of self-governing authorities to control municipalities and community government areas, to provide for a simplicity of power and function between self-governing authorities, and for other purposes.

Local Government Grants Commission Act
http://notes.nt.gov.au/dcm/legislat/legislat.nsf/64117ddb0f0b89f482561cf0017e56f/f4c9677d2a717e0692563b0020c9ac/$FILE/Repl032.pdf
An Act to establish a Local Government Grants Commission to make recommendations concerning the distribution of financial assistance to local government bodies and for related purposes.

Australian Capital Territory

Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government) Act 1988 (Cwlth)
An Act to provide for the Government of the Australian Capital Territory, and for related purposes.
2. Planning Legislation

New South Wales

Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment Act 1979


An Act to institute a system of environmental planning and assessment for the State of New South Wales.

Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Infrastructure and Other Planning Reform) Act 2005


An Act to amend the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 and other Acts to facilitate infrastructure and other planning reform; and for other purposes.

Historic Houses Act 1980

http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/summarize/inforce/s/1/?TITLE=%22Historic%20Houses%20Act%201980%20No%2094%22&nohits=y

An Act to provide for the care, control and management of certain houses, and other buildings and places, of historic importance.

Heritage Act 1977

http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/summarize/inforce/s/1/?TITLE=%22Heritage%20Act%201977%20No%20136%22&nohits=y

An Act to conserve the environmental heritage of the State.

Forestry and National Park Estate Act 1998


An Act to make provision with respect to forestry operations and the national park estate following regional resource and conservation assessments; to transfer certain State forest and other Crown lands to the national park estate or Aboriginal ownership; to provide for Ministerial agreements and a system of integrated approvals for future forestry operations; to amend the Forestry Act 1916, the Timber Industry (Interim Protection) Act 1992 and certain other Acts; and for other purposes.

Forestry Act 1916

http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/summarize/inforce/s/1/?TITLE=%22Forestry%20Act%201916%20No%2055%22&nohits=y

An Act to consolidate and amend the law relating to forestry; to provide for the dedication, reservation, control, and use of State forests, timber reserves, and Crown lands for forestry and other purposes; to appoint a commission to administer the Act, with power to sell and convert timber and products, and to purchase and sell animals to be depastured on State forests and timber reserves; to repeal the Forestry Act 1909; to amend the Acts relating to Crown lands, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Casino Control Act 1992


An Act to provide for the establishment of one casino and the control of its operations; to constitute the Casino Control Authority; and for related purposes.

Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983

http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/summarize/inforce/s/1/?TITLE=%22Aboriginal%20Land%20Rights%20Act%201983%20No%2042%22&nohits=y

An Act to repeal the Aborigines Act 1969 and to make provisions with respect to the land rights of Aborigines, including provisions for or with respect to the constitution of Aboriginal Land Councils, the vesting of land in those Councils, the acquisition of land by or for those Councils and the allocations of funds to and by those Councils; to amend certain other Acts; and to make provisions for certain other purposes.
National Trust of Australia (New South Wales) Act 1990
http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/summarize/inforce/s/1/%7B?TITLE=%22National%20Trust%20of%20Australia%20(New%20South%20Wales)%20Act%201990%20No%2092%22%7D
An Act to make further provision with respect to the constitution, objects and functions of The National Trust of Australia (New South Wales); to repeal The National Trust of Australia (New South Wales) Act 1960; and for related purposes.

Native Title (New South Wales) Act 1994
http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/summarize/inforce/s/1/%7B?TITLE=%22Native%20Title%20of%20Australia%20(New%20South%20Wales)%20Act%201994%20No%2045%22%7D
An Act about native title in relation to land or waters; and for other purposes.

Queensland

Integrated Planning Act 1997
An Act for a framework to integrate planning and development assessment so that development and its effects are managed in a way that is ecologically sustainable, and for related purposes.

Integrated Resort Development Act 1987
An Act to provide for the approval of schemes of integrated resort development, to make provision to assist in the establishment, operation and management of approved integrated resort developments and for other purposes.

Aboriginal Land Act 1991
An Act providing for the grant, and the claim and grant, of land as Aboriginal land, and for other purposes.

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003
An Act to make provision for Aboriginal cultural heritage, and for other purposes.

Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders (Land Holding) Act 1985
An Act to provide for the grant of leases in perpetuity and other title in land to members of communities of Aborigines or Torres Strait Islanders and for related purposes.

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003
An Act to make provision for Aboriginal cultural heritage, and for other purposes.

Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders (Land Holding) Act 1985
An Act to provide for the grant of leases in perpetuity and other title in land to members of communities of Aborigines or Torres Strait Islanders and for related purposes.

Casino Control Act 1982
An Act to provide for the regulation and control of the operation of casinos and for purposes connected therewith.

National Trust of Queensland Act 1963
An Act about the preservation and maintenance of lands, buildings and other things of beauty or of national, historic, scientific, artistic or architectural interest.

Native Title (Queensland) Act 1993
An Act about native title.

Queensland Heritage Act 1992
An Act to provide for the conservation of Queensland’s cultural heritage.

Recreation Areas Management Act 1988
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An Act to provide for the setting apart of land and waters throughout Queensland as, and for management of recreational activities in, recreation areas, and for related purposes.

Sanctuary Cove Resort Act 1985
An Act relating to the development of ‘Sanctuary Cove Resort’ at Hope Island in the State of Queensland.

Tourism Queensland Act 1979
An Act to provide for the establishment of Tourism Queensland, its functions and powers and for purposes related to the tourist and travel industry in Queensland.

Tourism Services Act 2003
An Act to provide protection for tourists in dealings with inbound tour operators and tour guides, and for related purposes.

Victoria

Planning and Environment Act 1987
The purpose of this Act is to establish a framework for planning the use, development and protection of land in Victoria in the present and long-term interests of all Victorians.

Historic Buildings (Amendment) Act 1989
The purpose of this Act is to provide for the inclusion of certain government buildings in the Register of Historic Buildings.

Emerald Tourist Railway Act 1977
An Act to make Provision for the Establishment of a Board to be known as the Emerald Tourist Railway Board for the Preservation and Operation as a Tourist Attraction of the Historical Narrow-gauge Steam Railway in the Dandenong Ranges and for Purposes connected therewith.

Alpine Resorts Act 1983
An Act to make Provision for the Establishment of an Alpine Resorts Commission, to make Provision with respect to the Powers, Duties and Functions of that Commission and the Development, Management and Improvement of Alpine Resorts, to amend the Forests Act 1958, the Local Government Act 1958, to repeal the Mount Hotham Alpine Resort Act 1972 and for other purposes.

Alpine Resorts (Management) Act 1997
The purposes of this Act are to —
(a) establish an Alpine Resorts Co-ordinating Council and six Alpine Resort Management Boards; and
(b) provide for the management of several alpine resorts; and
(c) mend the Alpine Resorts Act 1983; and
(d) make various other related provisions and amendments to other Acts.

Aboriginal Lands Act 1991
The purposes of this Act are to —
(a) evoke the reservations of certain lands;
(b) authorise the granting of that land for Aboriginal cultural and burial purposes;
(c) provide for related matters.

**Aboriginal Lands Act 1970**

An Act to provide for the Lands reserved for the Use of the Aborigines at Framlingham and Lake Tyers to be vested in a Framlingham Aboriginal Trust and a Lake Tyers Aboriginal Trust respectively, to regulate the Affairs of the said Trusts, to amend the *Aboriginal Affairs Act 1967* and the *Land Tax Act 1958*, and for other purposes.

**Casino Control Act 1991**

The purposes of this Act are —
(a) to establish a system for the licensing, supervision and control of casinos with the aims of -
   (i) ensuring that the management and operation of casinos remains free from criminal influence or exploitation; and
   (ii) ensuring that gaming in casinos is conducted honestly; and
   (iii) promoting tourism, employment, and economic development generally in the State;
(b) to provide for actions that may be taken by the Chief Commissioner of Police with the aim of ensuring that the casino complex remains free from criminal influence or exploitation.

**Museums Act 1983**

An Act to constitute the Museums Advisory Board and the Council of the Museum of Victoria, to abolish certain other Bodies and for that purpose to amend and repeal Various Acts and for other purposes.

**Heritage Act 1995**

The main purposes of this Act are —
(a) to provide for the protection and conservation of places and objects of cultural heritage significance and the registration of such places and objects; and
(b) to establish a Heritage Council; and
(c) to establish a Victorian Heritage Register.

**Regional Infrastructure Development Fund Act 1999**

The main purpose of this Act is to provide for a fund to be called the Regional Infrastructure Development Fund to be established in the Public Account as part of the Trust Fund.

**Regional Development Victoria Act 2002**

The main purpose of this Act is to establish a body to facilitate economic and community development in rural and regional Victoria to be known as Regional Development Victoria.
South Australia

Development Act 1993  
An Act to provide for planning and regulate development in the State; to regulate the use and management of land and buildings, and the design and construction of buildings; to make provision for the maintenance and conservation of land and buildings where appropriate; and for other purposes.

Aboriginal Heritage Act 1988  
An Act to provide for the protection and preservation of the Aboriginal heritage; to repeal the Aboriginal and Historic Relics Preservation Act 1965 and the Aboriginal Heritage Act 1979; to amend the Mining Act 1971, the Planning Act 1982 and the South Australian Heritage Act 1978; and for other purposes.

Casino Act 1997  
An Act to regulate the licensing and control of the casino at Adelaide; and for other purposes.

Heritage Places Act 1993  
An Act to make provision for the identification, recording and conservation of places and objects of non-Aboriginal heritage significance; to establish the South Australian Heritage Council; and for other purposes.

History Trust of South Australia Act 1981  
An Act to establish the History Trust of South Australia; to define its powers and functions; and for other purposes.

Native Title (South Australia) Act 1994  
An Act relating to native title; and amending the Acts Interpretation Act 1915.

Outback Areas Community Development Trust Act 1978  
An Act to establish the Outback Areas Community Development Trust; to prescribe its powers and functions, and for purposes incidental thereto.

Recreational Services (Limitation of Liability) Act 2002  
An Act to provide for limitation of liability of providers of recreational services; and for other purposes.

South Australian Tourism Commission Act 1993 No. 26 of 1993  
An Act to promote tourism and the tourism industry in the State; to establish the South Australian Tourism Commission; and for other purposes.

South Australian Country Arts Trust Act 1992  
An Act to establish the South Australian Country Arts Trust and Country Arts Boards and define their functions and powers; to repeal the Cultural Trusts Act 1976; and for other purposes.

South Australian Museum Act 1976  
An Act to provide for the administration of the South Australian Museum; to repeal the Museum Act 1939; and for other purposes.

National Trust of South Australia Act, 1955  
An Act to constitute and incorporate a body to be known as The National Trust of South Australia, to prescribe the powers of the said body, and to provide for the preservation and maintenance of places and of chattels of any description of national historical artistic or scientific interest or natural beauty, and for purposes incidental thereto.
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Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993
http://www.thelaw.tas.gov.au/tocview/index.w3p;cond=;doc_id=70%2B%2B1993%2BAT%40EN%2B20060314000000;histon=;prompt=;rec=;term=
An Act to make provision for land use planning and approvals.

Aboriginal Land Acts 1995
http://www.thelaw.tas.gov.au/tocview/index.w3p;cond=;doc_id=98%2B%2B1995%2BAT%40EN%2B20060314220000;histon=;prompt=;rec=;term=
An Act to reconcile recognition with the Tasmanian Aboriginal community by granting to Aboriginal people certain parcels of land of historic or cultural significance.

Tourism and Recreational Development Act 1977
http://www.thelaw.tas.gov.au/tocview/index.w3p;cond=;doc_id=13%2B%2B1977%2BAT%40EN%2B20060314220000;histon=;prompt=;rec=;term=
An Act to establish a fund for the purpose of making grants and loans for the promotion and development of tourism and recreational facilities.

Tourism Tasmania Act 1996
http://www.thelaw.tas.gov.au/tocview/index.w3p;cond=;doc_id=57%2B%2B1996%2BAT%40EN%2B20060314220000;histon=;prompt=;rec=;term=
An Act to establish Tourism Tasmania and for related purposes.

National Trust of Australia (Tasmania) Act 1975
http://www.thelaw.tas.gov.au/tocview/index.w3p;cond=;doc_id=45%2B%2B1975%2BAT%40EN%2B20060314220000;histon=;prompt=;rec=;term=
An Act to establish a body corporate to be known as the National Trust of Australia (Tasmania), to provide for the constitution and define the functions of that body, to provide for the transfer to that body of the assets and liabilities of an existing company of that name, to provide for the dissolution of that company, and to make provision for incidental and consequential matters.

Historic Cultural Heritage Act 1995
http://www.thelaw.tas.gov.au/tocview/index.w3p;cond=;doc_id=117%2B%2B1995%2BAT%40EN%2B20060314220000;histon=;prompt=;rec=;term=
An Act to promote the identification, assessment, protection and conservation of places having historic cultural heritage significance and to establish the Tasmanian Heritage Council.

Western Australia

Western Australian Planning Commission Act 1985
An Act to establish a body with responsibility for urban, rural and regional land use planning and land development and related matters in the State, and for connected purposes.

Town Planning and Development Act 1928
An Act relating to the planning and development of land for urban, suburban, and rural purposes.

Aboriginal Affairs Planning Authority Act 1972
An Act to make provision for the establishment of an Aboriginal Affairs Planning Authority, a Commissioner for Aboriginal Planning and an Aboriginal Affairs Advisory Council for the purpose of providing consultative and other services and for the economic, social and cultural advancement of persons of Aboriginal descent in Western Australia, to repeal the Native Welfare Act 1963, and for incidental and other purposes.

Metropolitan Region Town Planning Scheme Act 1959
Regional Development Commissions Act 1993
An Act to establish regional development commissions to coordinate and promote the economic development of regions of Western Australia, to provide for the establishment of regional development advisory committees, to establish a Regional Development Council, to continue existing regional development bodies as commissions under this Act, to repeal certain Acts and for related purposes.

Swan Valley Planning Act 1995
An Act to establish a committee to advise on land use planning and land development in the area known as the Swan Valley, and to prescribe planning and development objectives for the various parts of that area.

Western Australian Land Authority Act 1992
http://www.slp.wa.gov.au/statutes/swans.nsf/5d62daee56e9e4b348256ebd0012c422/bb99be8b5c4534c6482565d8000bd771/$FILE/Western%20Australian%20Land%20Authority%20Act%201992.PDF
An Act to establish an agency to provide, or promote the provision of, land, infrastructure, facilities and services for the social, economic and environmental needs of the State and for related purposes.

Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972
http://www.slp.wa.gov.au/statutes/swans.nsf/5d62daee56e9e4b348256ebd0012c422/045a412e09666d01482565e10017aac0/$FILE/Aboriginal%20Heritage%20Act%201972.PDF
An Act to make provision for the preservation on behalf of the community of places and objects customarily used by or traditional to the original inhabitants of Australia or their descendants, or associated therewith, and for other purposes incidental thereto.

Caravan Parks and Camping Grounds Act 1995
http://www.slp.wa.gov.au/statutes/swans.nsf/5d62daee56e9e4b348256ebd0012c422/a065f509f14758e34825667002396c/$FILE/Caravan%20Parks%20and%20Camping%20Grounds%20Act%201995.PDF
An Act to provide for the regulation of caravanning and camping, to control and license caravan parks and camping grounds, to provide for standards in respect of caravans, to amend certain Acts and for related purposes.

Casino Control Act 1984
http://www.slp.wa.gov.au/statutes/swans.nsf/5d62daee56e9e4b348256ebd0012c422/2900b947a6a9136b482567010012ed86/$FILE/Casino%20Control%20Act%201984.PDF
An Act to provide for the establishment of a casino in Western Australia, for licensing the operator of the casino and for the control of gaming operations therein and for matters incidental to or connected therewith.

Heritage of Western Australia Act 1990
http://www.slp.wa.gov.au/statutes/swans.nsf/5d62daee56e9e4b348256ebd0012c422/aad434724c7bb29448256651002d07aa/$FILE/Heritage%20of%20Western%20Australia%20Act%201990.PDF
An Act to provide for, and to encourage, the conservation of places which have significance to the cultural heritage in the State, to establish the Heritage Council of Western Australia, and for related purposes.

Museum Act 1969
http://www.slp.wa.gov.au/statutes/swans.nsf/5d62daee56e9e4b348256ebd0012c422/39be3c04b8e68c63482565d500271167/$FILE/Museum%20Act%201969.PDF
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An Act to make provision for the re-establishment, control and management of the Western Australian Museum, the preservation of areas and objects of historic interest and for incidental and other purposes.

**Native Title (State Provisions) Act 1999**

http://www.slp.wa.gov.au/statutes/swans.nsf/5d62daee56e9e4b348256ebd0012c422/0ef3ede03a3941d148256866000d9a88/$FILE/Native%20Title%20(State%20Provisions)%20Act%201999.PDF

An Act to make —
alternative provisions to those contained in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act 1993* of the Commonwealth, in accordance with sections 43 and 43A of that Act;
provisions that are supplementary to those in section 24MD(6B) of that Act; and
provision for delegations in respect of the State under section 199F of that Act, to consequentially amend certain Acts, and for related purposes.

**National Trust of Australia (W.A.) Act 1964**

http://www.slp.wa.gov.au/statutes/swans.nsf/5d62daee56e9e4b348256ebd0012c422/d842c924be1eee39482566910001b525/$FILE/National%20Trust%20of%20Australia%20(WA)%20Act%201964.PDF

An Act to establish and incorporate and confer powers upon The National Trust of Australia (W.A.) and for incidental and other purposes.

**Planning and Development Act 2005**

http://www.slp.wa.gov.au/statutes/swans.nsf/5d62daee56e9e4b348256ebd0012c422/2d0da00f76771625482570dc0011892c/$FILE/Planning%20and%20Development%20Act%202005.PDF

An Act to provide for a system of land use planning and development in the State and for related purposes.

**Rottnest Island Authority Act 1987**

http://www.slp.wa.gov.au/statutes/swans.nsf/5d62daee56e9e4b348256ebd0012c422/1b772232e08fab8e482565d700095a06/$FILE/Rottnest%20Island%20Authority%20Act%201987.PDF

An Act to establish an Authority to control and manage Rottnest Island, to provide for the management policies to be followed by the Authority, to dissolve the Rottnest Island Board, and for connected purposes.

**Swan River Trust Act 1988**

http://www.slp.wa.gov.au/statutes/swans.nsf/5d62daee56e9e4b348256ebd0012c422/399cee5aaad86c8b482565d800120eca/$FILE/Swan%20River%20Trust%20Act%201988.PDF

An Act to establish a body with planning, protection and management functions in respect of the Swan and Canning Rivers and certain adjoining lands, and for connected purposes.

**Western Australian Tourism Commission Act 1983**

http://www.slp.wa.gov.au/statutes/swans.nsf/5d62daee56e9e4b348256ebd0012c422/5c3b2de6584c86a6482565d50022e60c/$FILE/Western%20Australian%20Tourism%20Commission%20Act%201983.PDF

An Act to make provision for the establishment of a Western Australian Tourism Commission, to repeal the *Tourist Act 1973-1981*, and for incidental and other purposes.

**Northern Territory**

**Planning Act**

http://notes.nt.gov.au/dcm/legislat/legislat.nsf/64117dddb0f0b89f482561cf0017e56f/530e9bf7f3f8334ea6925708b007f82d0/$FILE/Repp029.pdf

To provide for appropriate and orderly planning and control of the use and development of land, and for related purposes.

**Australian Capital Territory**

**Planning and Land Act 2002**


An Act to provide for planning and the development of land, and for other purposes.
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Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991
An Act relating to the use of land in the ACT, and for related purposes.

Native Title Act 1994
An Act relating to native title.

Casino Control Act 2006 (awaiting commencement)
An Act for the establishment, licensing and control of the casino, and for other purposes.

Australian Capital Tourism Corporation Act 1997
An Act to establish the Australian Capital Tourism Corporation, and for related purposes.

3. Environmental Management Legislation

New South Wales

Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979
http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/summarize/inforce/s/1/?TITLE=%22Environmental Planning and Assessment%20Act%201979%20No%20203%22&nohits=y
An Act to institute a system of environmental planning and assessment for the State of New South Wales.

Protection of the Environment Administration Act 1991 No 60
An Act to constitute the Environment Protection Authority and to make provision with respect to its general responsibilities and management; to amend various Acts; and for other purposes.

Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 No. 156
An Act to protect the environment; to replace other environment protection legislation; and for other purposes.

Environmental Trust Act 1998
http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/summarize/inforce/s/1/?TITLE=%22Environmental Trust%20Act%201998%20No%2082%22&nohits=y
An Act to fund environmental restoration, rehabilitation, research and education and to fund land acquisition for the national parks estate; to constitute the Environmental Trust to administer the funding arrangements; to repeal the Environmental Restoration and Rehabilitation Trust Act 1990, the Environmental Research Trust Act 1990 and the Environmental Education Trust Act 1990; to amend the Forestry Restructuring and Nature Conservation Act 1995 and other Acts; and for other purposes.

Land and Environment Court Act 1979
http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/summarize/inforce/s/1/?TITLE=%22Land and Environment Court%20Act%201979%20No%20204%22&nohits=y
An Act to constitute the Land and Environment Court and to make provision with respect to its jurisdiction.

Forestry Revocation and National Park Reservation Act 1996
http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/summarize/inforce/s/1/?TITLE=%22Forestry Revocation and National Park Reservation%20Act%201996%20No%20131%22&nohits=y
An Act to revoke the dedication of certain lands as State forest (including national forest) and the status of certain lands as flora reserve; to reserve lands as, or as
parts of, national parks and to dedicate lands as, or as parts of, nature reserves; and for other purposes.

**Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995**

An Act to conserve threatened species, populations and ecological communities of animals and plants; to amend the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974*, the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* and certain other Acts; to repeal the *Endangered Fauna (Interim Protection) Act 1991*; and for other purposes.

**National Environment Protection Council (New South Wales) Act 1995**

An Act to provide for the establishment of a National Environment Protection Council, and for related purposes.

**National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974**

An Act to consolidate and amend the law relating to the establishment, preservation and management of national parks, historic sites and certain other areas and the protection of certain fauna, native plants and Aboriginal objects; to repeal the *Wild Flowers and Native Plants Protection Act 1927*, the *Fauna Protection Act 1948*, the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1967* and certain other enactments; to amend the Local Government Act 1919 and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

**Nature Conservation Trust Act 2001**

An Act to provide for the establishment, management and functions of the Nature Conservation Trust of New South Wales; to make consequential amendments to other Acts; and for related purposes.

**Marine Parks Act 1997**

An Act to provide for marine parks and the conservation of the marine environment, and for other purposes.

**Queensland**

**Environmental Protection Act 1994**

An Act about the protection of Queensland’s environment.

**Marine Parks Act 1982**

An Act to provide for the setting apart of tidal lands and tidal waters as marine parks and for related purposes.

**Marine Parks Act 2004**

An Act to provide for marine parks and the conservation of the marine environment, and for other purposes.

**National Environment Protection Council (Queensland) Act 1994**

An Act to provide for the establishment of a National Environment Protection Council, and related purposes.

**Nature Conservation Act 1992**

An Act to provide for the conservation of nature.

**Vegetation Management Act 1999**

An Act about the management of vegetation.
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Wet Tropics World Heritage Protection and Management Act 1993
An Act to provide for the protection and management of the Wet Tropics of Queensland World Heritage Area, and for related purposes.

Victoria

Environment Protection Act 1970
An Act to establish an Environmental Protection Authority, to make Provision with respect to the Powers, Duties and Functions of that Authority, to make further Provision for the Protection of the Environment and for other purposes.

Conservation, Forests and Lands Act 1987
The purposes of this Act are:
(a) To create a body called the Director-General of Conservation, Forests and Lands, to define its powers and to transfer to it the functions of the Forests Commission, the Soil Conservation Authority and the Vermin and Noxious Weeds Destruction Board, and to abolish these bodies;
(b) To provide a framework for a land management system, and to make necessary administrative, financial and enforcement provisions;
(c) To establish a system of land management co-operative agreements;
(d) To make consequential amendments to various Acts.

National Parks Act 1975
An Act to consolidate, amend and make further provision in the law relating to national parks, to make provision for certain other parks, to make consequential amendments to certain Acts and for other purposes.

National Parks (Amendment) Act 1989
The purposes of this Bill are –
(a) to make provision for wilderness parks and state parks; and
(b) to make provision for the prohibition of new mining activities in national parks, State parks and wilderness parks;
(c) to create new parks and make alterations to existing parks; and
(d) to make other amendments to the National Parks Act 1975 and to amend certain other Acts.

National Parks (Alpine National Park) Act 1989
The purpose of this Act is to amend the National Parks Act 1975 to provide for an Alpine National Park and for other purposes.

Environment Effects Act 1978
An Act to require the Environmental Effects of certain Works to be assessed, and for other purposes.

Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994
The following are the purposes of this Act —
(a) to set up a framework for the integrated management and protection of catchments;
(b) to encourage community participation in the management of land and water resources;
(c) to set up a system of controls on noxious weeds and pest animals;
(d) to repeal and amend various Acts concerning

Victorian Environmental Assessment Council Act 2001
The purpose of this Act is to establish the Victorian Environmental Assessment Council to conduct investigations and make recommendations relating to the protection and ecologically sustainable management of the environment and natural resources of public land.

**Parks Victoria Act 1998**


The purpose of this Act is to establish Parks Victoria.

**National Environment Protection Council (Victoria) Act 1995**


The purpose of this Act is to provide for the establishment of a National Environment Protection Council.

**Heritage Rivers Act 1992**


The purpose of this Act is to make provision for Victorian heritage rivers by providing for the protection of public land in particular parts of rivers and river catchment areas in Victoria which have significant nature conservation, recreation, scenic or cultural heritage attributes and to make related amendments to other Acts.

**Wildlife Act 1975**


**Victorian Conservation Trust Act 1972**

An Act to establish a Body Corporate under the Name of the Victoria Conservation Trust and for other purposes.

**South Australia**

**Environmental Protection Act 1993**


An Act to provide for the protection of the environment; to establish the Environment Protection Authority and define its functions and powers; and for other purposes.

**Environment, Resources and Development Court Act 1993**


An Act to establish the Environment, Resources and Development Court; to define its jurisdiction and powers; and for other purposes.

**National Environment Protection Council (South Australia) Act 1995**


An Act to provide for the establishment of a National Environment Protection Council; and for related purposes.

**National Parks and Wildlife Act 1972**


An Act to provide for the establishment and management of reserves for public benefit and enjoyment; to provide for the conservation of wildlife in a natural environment; and for other purposes.

**Native Vegetation Act 1991**


An Act to provide incentives and assistance to landowners in relation to the preservation and enhancement of native vegetation; to control the clearance of native vegetation; and for other purposes.
Wilderness Protection Act 1992
An Act to provide for the protection of wilderness and the restoration of land to its condition before European colonisation; and for other purposes.

Tasmania

Environmental Management and Pollution Control Act 1994

Threatened Species Protection Act 1995
An Act to provide for the protection and management of threatened native flora and fauna and to enable and promote the conservation of native flora and fauna.

Regional Forest Agreement (Land Classification) Act 1998

Nature Conservation Act 2002
An Act to make provision with respect to the conservation and protection of the fauna, flora and geological diversity of the State, to provide for the declaration of national parks and other reserved land and for related purposes.

Native Title (Tasmania) Act 1994
An Act to validate pursuant to section 19 of the Native Title Act 1993 of the Commonwealth past acts invalid because of the existence of native title and, in accordance with that Act, to confirm certain rights and for related purposes.

National Parks and Reserves Management Act 2002
An Act to provide for the management of national parks and other reserved land, to repeal the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1970 and related Acts and for related purposes.

An Act to provide for the establishment of a National Environment Protection Council and for related purposes.

Western Australia

Environmental Protection Act 1986
An Act to provide for an Environmental Protection Authority, for the prevention, control and abatement of pollution and environmental harm, for the conservation, preservation, protection, enhancement and management of the environment and for matters incidental to or connected with the foregoing.

Conservation and Land Management Act 1984

An Act to make better provision for the use, protection and management of certain public lands and waters and the flora and fauna thereof, to establish authorities to be responsible therefore, and for incidental or connected purposes.

**National Environment Protection Council (Western Australia) Act 1996**
An Act to provide for the establishment of a National Environment Protection Council, and for related purposes.

**Wildlife Conservation Act 1950**
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An Act to provide for the conservation and protection of wildlife.

**Northern Territory**

**Environmental Assessment Act**
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An Act to provide for the assessment of the environmental effects of development proposals and for the protection of the environment.

**National Environment Protection Council (Northern Territory) Act**
An Act to provide for the establishment of a National Environment Protection Council, and for related purposes.

**Territory Parks and Wildlife Conservation Act**
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An Act to make provision for and in relation to the establishment of Territory Parks and other Parks and Reserves and the study, protection, conservation and sustainable utilisation of wildlife.

**Australian Capital Territory**

**Environmental Protection Act 1997**
An Act to provide for the protection of the environment, and for related purposes.

**Tree Protection Act 2005 (awaiting commencement)**
An Act for the protection of trees, and for other purposes.

**Nature Conservation Act 1980**
An Act to make provision for the protection and conservation of native animals and native plants, and for the reservation of areas for those purposes.

**National Environment Protection Council Act 1994**
An Act to provide for the establishment of a national environment protection council, and for related purposes.

**Heritage Act 2004**
An Act to provide for the recognition, registration and conservation of places and objects of natural and cultural significance, and for other purposes.

4. **Public Health Legislation**

**New South Wales**

**Public Health Act 1991**
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An Act relating to the maintenance of proper standards of health for the public; and for other purposes.

**Health Administration Act 1982**


An Act to establish a Department of Health and certain other bodies; to vest certain functions in the Minister for Health and certain other bodies and persons; to provide for the transfer of certain employees; to repeal the *Health Commission Act 1972*; and for other purposes.

**Queensland**

**Health Act 1937**


An Act about particular matters relating to public health.

**Public Health Act 2005**


An Act to protect and promote the health of the Queensland public, and for other purposes.

**Victoria**

**Health Act 1958**


An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Public Health.

**South Australia**

**Public and Environmental Health Act 1987**


An Act dealing with public and environmental health; to repeal the Health Act 1935, the Noxious Trades Act 1943 and the Venereal Diseases Act 1947; and for other purposes.

**Tasmania**

**Health Act 1911**

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An Act to protect and promote the health of communities in the State and reduce the incidence of preventable illness.

**Western Australia**

**Health Act 1911**


An Act to consolidate and amend the law relating to public health.

**Northern Territory**

**Public Health Act**

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An Act relating to Public Health.

**Public Health Ordinance 1952**

**Australian Capital Territory**

**Health Act 1993**


An Act relating to the provision of health services.

**Public Health Act 1997**
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PHASE 2 - ASSESSMENT TOOL

The aim of the guide is to investigate the issues that local governments face in tourism management and the practices and approaches that have been adopted to address these issues. An investigation and appreciation of these issues is necessarily the first stage in moving towards more sustainable local tourism management.

The assessment tool (phase 2) provides readers with tools, exercises and interrogating questions to better understand tourism management issues in their local destination. This is achieved through the presentation of activities and questions and through the inclusion of vignettes and stories of practice that may inspire alternative approaches to tourism management.

These two documents work together to inspire critical assessment of the challenges, issues and opportunities that local governments face.

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