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### Keeping the “Local” in Government

The annual state conference of Local Government Managers Australia (LGMA) will be held in Smithton on 18 and 19 October 2007.

Approximately 60 delegates and 18 sponsors from around Tasmania will convene at Tall Timbers on Thursday with a program that promotes the “grass roots” element of government.

Speakers at the conference include North West identities such as Royce Fairbrother, Scott Ranking and Don Monk. Also, making a special guest appearance is ANZ’s Chief Economist Saul Eslake.

Topics for the conference include community engagement, marketing and building healthy communities.

Council’s General Manager Greg Winton said: “We are delighted that a conference of this calibre is being conducted in Smithton this week. It gives Council staff an opportunity to further extend their knowledge bases and gain valuable network contacts”.

Mayor Ross Hine will officially open the conference on Thursday, this being his final official public appearance before resigning his position as Mayor of the Circular Head Council.

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