

Central Coast and Hunter Social Procurement & Economic Participation Forum

Thursday 28 August 2014

8am to 5pm

Wyong Council Civic Centre,
2 Hely St, Wyong

Keynote Speakers:

Claire Parry – Transport for NSW and Transport for London

Alan Blackman – NSW Premier's Department

Dr. Ingrid Burkett – Centre for Social Impact

*exploring strategies to drive social inclusion, job creation,
local business development and economic participation through
strategic social procurement*

Interactive Program Sessions will focus on strengthening:

- Job creation and economic participation in Major Projects
- Opportunities for participation of local and regional businesses
- Jobs and pathways to employment for disadvantaged communities
- Cross sector regional collaboration and innovation

Key Forum outcomes:

- Learn Practical strategies from experts
- Hear case studies of dynamic practitioners from other regions
- Explore opportunities for local and regional collaborative models
- Find out about major projects coming up in the region

PLACES ARE LIMITED SO REGISTER NOW

RSVP by 14th August to socialenterprise@wyong.nsw.gov.au

Procurement is the key strategic mechanism tool for all levels of Government, the private sector and not for profit sectors for investing in goods, services and programs.

Across the world there is a growing understanding of the critical role procurement can play not only in delivering high quality outcomes and value for money, but also in delivering social, environmental and economic outcomes for communities.

This Forum will explore modern strategies to drive social and economic development outcomes through more effective and strategic use of the hundreds of millions invested in procurement in the Central Coast & Hunter regions every year.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

- Local government Representatives – Councillors. Senior Management and staff in Procurement, Community Development, Economic Development, Social Planning and Project Management
- State and Federal Government - Regional Directors, Procurement, Economic & Community Development Managers
- Key regional procurers
- Universities, Hospitals, Developers, Construction Companies, Private Sector Leaders
- Peak Bodies
- Employment Services Providers, Business Development organisations, Social, Community and Human Service Organisations
- Social Enterprise Project Managers

Program Outline

- 8.00am - 8.30am** *Morning Tea*
- 8.30am – 9:00am** **Introduction**
- Welcome to Country
 - Welcome –Mayor of Wyong, Cr Doug Eaton
 - 'Why Social Procurement and Economic Participation in Central Coast & Hunter?'
- 9:00am - 10.30am** **SESSION ONE: 'Major Projects – Achieving Social and Economic Development through Strategic Approaches to Major Project Procurement'**
- Claire Parry – (Transport for NSW & Transport for London)
 - Alan Blackman – Department of Premier and Cabinet (Upcoming Major Projects for Central Coast & Hunter)
- 10.30am - 10.50am** *Morning Tea*
- 10.50am - 12.15pm** **SESSION TWO: 'Participating in Procurement - Building Capacity and Creating Opportunities for Businesses across Central Coast & Hunter'**
- Daniel Farmer (Regional Manager NSW Business Chamber)
 - James Latham (CEO Vendor Panel)
 - Michael Robinson (Business Manager, Local Government Procurement)
- 12.15pm to 1.00pm** *Lunch*
- 1.00pm – 2.20pm** **SESSION THREE: Creating New Opportunities for Economic Participation**
- Cr John Weate (CEO Great Lakes Community Resources)
 - Jim Bultjens (CEO Fairhaven Services)
 - Glenn Cannard (Social Enterprise Central Coast Regional Project)
 - Dylan Dyer (Regional Coordinator Many Rivers Microfinance)
- 2.20pm – 2.40pm** *Afternoon Tea*
- 2.40pm - 3.50pm** **SESSION FOUR: Innovative Approaches to Building Regional Collaboration in Social Procurement and Economic Participation**
- Dr Ingrid Burkett (CEO Knode, Social Design Fellow, Centre for Social Impact)
 - Barry Miller - Chairman Social Procurement Australasia - Hunter/Central Coast Group
- 3.50pm - 4.50pm** **SESSION FIVE: Collaborative Strategies to Drive Change in Central Coast/Hunter**
- Facilitated Discussion:** Bringing together outcomes from the day for a structured discussion on practical strategies to address the challenges and opportunities for social procurement and economic development for Central Coast & Hunter
- Chris Newman (ArcBlue)
- 4.50pm – 5:00pm** **Close**
- Thank you – Mayor of Gosford, Cr Lawrie McKinna

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