



IPWEA

INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC WORKS
ENGINEERING AUSTRALIA



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The Institute of Public Works Engineering Australia (IPWEA) is a professional organisation providing member services and advocacy for those involved in and delivering public works and engineering services to the community.

Increasingly, engineers are working as part of multi-disciplinary teams, rather than working within traditional departments. Public works and services for all levels of government are being provided increasingly by consultants, contractors, suppliers of goods, services and machinery as well as those directly employed by government.

Membership criteria for IPWEA is also changing from an emphasis on engineering qualifications and position within council, to criteria based on what people do in their jobs. Members come from the wide range of professions involved in public works and services - engineers, technicians, public works directors, contractors, consultants, managers, and strategic planners. Membership grades also reflect their achievements within the Institute.

To enquire about IPWEA membership please contact your State Division directly.

IPWEA Mission:

To enhance the quality of life of Australian Communities through public works and services.

IPWEA Vision:

To be recognised nationally and internationally as the leading professional association that effectively informs, connects, represents and leads public works professionals for Australia.

5 Reasons to join IPWEA

- **BELONG TO A PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY**

IPWEA holds regular networking events where members can share their experiences and knowledge. You can also ask questions using the IPWEA online forums and receive answers from your peers, or contribute to a discussion yourself.

- **SUPPORT YOUR PROFESSION**

IPWEA consistently lobbies for greater recognition of public works engineers and other professionals as valuable and innovative professions. Support your professional association in developing improved career pathways for young professionals.

- **DEVELOP YOUR KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS**

IPWEA holds workshops around Australia with practical training to help you in your day-today work. IPWEA also develops numerous papers and books for the benefit of members. Visit the bookshop at www.ipwea.org.au to browse the useful resources available.

- **ACCESS THE LATEST INFORMATION TO SUPPORT YOU IN YOUR ROLE**

Stay up-to-date in news and developments for public works professionals with IPWEA's regular e-newsletters and bi-monthly Public Works Professional magazine.

- **BE A LEADER IN YOUR FIELD**

Give back to your profession by contributing to IPWEA through the committees, join a mentoring program or enter for your state awards.

How do I apply for membership?

More information about membership benefits go to www.ipwea.org.au/membership

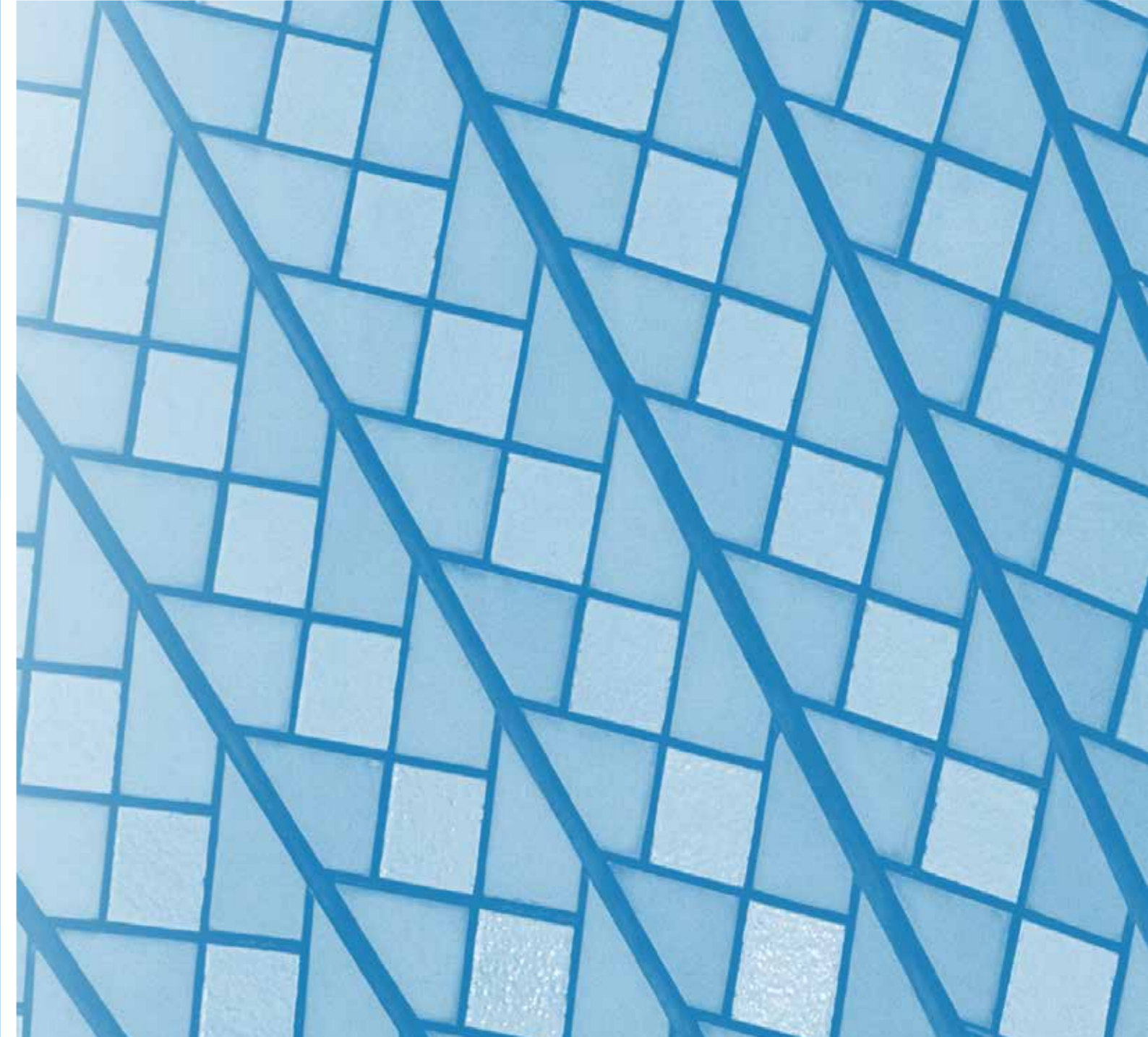
IPWEA New South Wales

Our Objectives

Our mission is to provide leadership in the Public Works and the Engineering Industry by achieving the following objectives:

- Foster the personal and professional growth of its members
- Facilitate the development and exchange of ideas, information and technology
- Promote excellence in the delivery of sustainable Public Works and Services
- Constantly provide leadership and support to its members
- Foster dialogue and relationship with other associations and government bodies
- Be a source of credible, authoritative advice on all public works engineering matters
- Be an advocate for the best interests of its members.

The Institution holds strategic alliances with many organisations including the Water Directorate, the Roads & Transport Directorate along with many other organisations.





“IPWEA provides an opportunity to network and exchange knowledge with fellow Road Safety Officers across NSW. The Institute provides access to a wide range of resources, including training, that has helped to strength the base platform for my career in local government road safety.

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Kyle Kerr

“As a long time member of IPWEA I have watched the organisation grow and benefited from the many opportunities it provides. It is run by practicing Engineers, for Engineers, which ensures professionalism, relevance and pragmatism. There are active national, state and local networks which is significant, especially as it provides opportunity for networking in most regional areas. I have particularly enjoyed the benefits of state and national conferences, industry travel scholarships, professional development programs, but perhaps most of all the fellowship of Engineers across the country.

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Kent Boyd





“IPWEA, through its constant response to ongoing changes provides me with the necessary information and services that keeps me updated in my career as an engineer...the way I see it, IPWEA is doing all the hard work for me.

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Shereny Selim

“I enjoy membership of the IPWEA for many reasons, in particular the association has a keen focus on providing learning and networking opportunities. It’s also a great resource and I believe the knowledge held with its members is tremendous, invaluable and very accessible.

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Siew Neale





“The networks I have formed through IPWEA have proved vital for me in moving from a larger Council to a more senior role in a smaller rural Council. The access to knowledge and resources that being a part of IPWEA provides me with gives a sense of security that I am not alone when making important decisions. In addition to the informal development opportunities, I have also been the beneficiary of financial assistance from IPWEA to attend conferences that I would not ordinarily have been exposed to, something that I cannot encourage others enough to take advantage of.

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Anthony McMahon

“ I joined the IPWEA in 1980’s when I moved my employment from Sydney Water to Local Government. I joined the IPWEA because I had had a long association with the old field days (Civinex) and knew it was organised by the IPWEA. The IPWEA is a professional association geared towards the development and promotion of public works engineering. The professional development program is based on practical and meaningful information that improves the capability of practising engineers. The biggest advantage in my mind to membership to the IPWEA is the networking opportunity it provides which includes both opportunities for convivial relationships with fellow engineers as well as the opportunity for professional discussion and assistance on an as needs basis.

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Tony Reed





“The IPWEA is the ideal facilitator for sharing knowledge & ideas and keeping up to date with the latest practices, technology and materials. It’s awesome to be able to get together with like minded professionals, share experiences and learn from others successes.

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Mike Nelson

IPWEA Queensland

Overview

IPWEAQ represents persons involved in and managing, maintaining and operating local government and public works infrastructure and services to the community. Our members include those working in the areas of roads, bridges, asset management, water supply and sewerage, stormwater systems, airports, cemeteries, parks and gardens, and coastal and harbour facilities.

Our role is to provide member services and advocacy that advance the professional and technical interests for our members that allow them to improve the quality of life of local communities by:

- promoting excellence in the delivery of ecologically sustainable public works and services
- facilitating the development and exchange of ideas information and technology
- fostering the personal and professional growth of members; and
- advancing public works engineering and services issues on the public agenda.

Through IPWEAQ, members can:

- network with colleagues at Branch, State and National Conferences, training programs and seminars;
- access publications and documents to assist in their day to day activities
- be involved in committees concerning particular topics which respond to technical issues and assist the Board in the lobbying of State and Federal governments.
- participate in continuing skills development through training programs, seminars and conferences.
- present papers at conferences, and attend workshops sessions and exhibitions.
- access scholarships and endowments from the IPWEAQ Foundation.
- provide input into the IPWEAQ and other organisations' news publications.
- be involved in a discussion forum for members
- nominate projects for Excellence Awards readily access information provided by other organisations.

“ I have been a member for nearly 8 years, the institute has been a conduit to a wealth of knowledge & information that has enabled me share ideas, concepts and understandings with my peers. Being an engineer for a local authority, the Institute’s Focus on public works engineering ensure that agenda topics directly relate to works and boundaries within the public sector.

With the institute being regionally focused it has created many opportunities for our engineering and works teams to be exposed to new forms of learning, skill development and mentoring, without having to go to the capital cities.

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Adam Sadler





“I’m a member because IPWEA provides me with opportunities to meet and discuss current issues with my peers in the Civil Construction industry.

The Qld Foundation scholarship gave me financial assistance to attend a national conference where I was able to learn about national and international issues.

I have also been able to develop my training skills by assisting IPWEAQ deliver the Supervisor Workshops across Qld.

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Steven Hughes

“IPWEA provides great support to its members through relevant and active networks at local, state and national levels. Their focus is on providing excellent learning and networking opportunities from training courses through to conferences. Last year, I was fortunate to win an award including a scholarship to attend the 2011 IPWEA National Conference in Canberra. This was an awesome opportunity to meet other engineers, particularly those working in local government, from across Australia, and to get an appreciation of issues and topics being addressed in other states.

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Nadia Ives





“ I joined IPWEAQ many years ago when moving from engineering consultancy to local government engineering/management, predominantly for networking, support and improving knowledge and what a great decision.

The Institute has delivered many opportunities for me to develop professionally through networking with like engineering and management professionals at conferences, seminars and training; through learning via the excellent publications and training packages provided and the open forums facilitated; through experiences in being on various committees and organising seminars and conferences and through the Institute’s work in influencing and developing strategic policies and decisions impacting upon public works engineering.

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Andrew Gibbs

IPWEA South Australia

Overview

Membership Criteria

Membership is open to any person involved in the provision of public works and services, including but not limited to, local, state & federal government employees; consultants; and contractors. This includes engineers, designers, technical staff, planners, project managers, works officers, supervisors, and equipment and material suppliers.

Public works and services include: roads, drainage, parks, horticulture, buildings, water and wastewater treatment, airports, waste management and recycling, safety, emergency management, heritage protection, asset management, traffic, parking and transportation.

IPWEA SA State Conference

The Annual Conference offers a full and informative program for all those involved in the provision of public works and services.

IPWEA Engineering Excellence Awards

The IPWEA (SA Division) presents the Engineering Excellence Awards each year to year to encourage and recognise excellence in the innovation, inspiration, development, completion and technical management of Local Government and public works projects and the people involved.

Be part of this prestigious awards gala dinner event.

Awards Categories:

Projects:

- A. Excellence in design and/or construction of a local government / public works projects
- B. Excellence in Asset Management projects
- C. Excellence in Road Safety
- D. Excellence in Waste Management

People:

Individual Commitment to Local Excellence in Public Works Management/Emerging leader

“IPWEA gives me the opportunity to network across a wide range of Councils, especially those in regional South Australia. Through being a part of IPWEA I have been able to build relationships to strengthen and enhance my career in the municipal engineering sector as well as having interesting and friendly social interactions with my co-members.

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Jo O'Brien





“Being in a Council area that is on the fringe of extensive growth, with the majority of the existing area being at the point of needing renewal, IPWEA enables me to network, discuss and more appropriately manage the changes and challenges faced. The IPWEA membership has a combination of industry professionals, experts within their own field, as well as new members to the world of Public Works Engineering, this extensive membership base enables all members of IPWEA to benefit through the use of the ‘Ask your mates’ forum, as well as during site visits of State significant infrastructure projects.

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Simon Keith

“Project and Asset Management presents complex challenges in a rural Council which has been identified by the State Government for significant growth in the coming decades. IPWEA provides me with a network of professionals that have years of experience and overseen similar challenges both in SA and interstate. Visiting State significant infrastructure projects via the SA Division tours provides great insight into how large projects are successfully delivered, which I can directly apply to local Council projects.

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Kieren Chappell



IPWEA Tasmania

Overview

IPWEA (Tas) represents persons involved in and managing, maintaining and operating local government and public works infrastructure and services to the community. Our members include those working in the areas of roads, bridges, asset management, water supply and sewerage, stormwater systems, parks and gardens.

Our role is to provide **member services** and advocacy that advance the professional and technical interests for our members that allow them to improve the quality of life of local communities by:

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- facilitating the development and exchange of ideas information and technology
- fostering the personal and professional growth of members; and
- advancing public works engineering and services issues on the public agenda.

Through IPWEA (Tas) members can:

- network with colleagues at State and National Conferences, events and seminars
- access publications and documents to assist in their day to day activities
- be involved in committees concerning particular topics which respond to technical issues and assist the executive in the lobbying of State and Federal governments
- participate in continuing skills development through seminars and conferences
- present papers at conferences, and attend workshops sessions and exhibitions
- access scholarships and endowments from the Foundation.





“I became a member as a young graduate civil engineer working in Local Government in Tasmania. That was 17 years ago, and since then I have won an award to undertake a study tour across south east Australia for 3 weeks, presented at 2 different conferences, been involved on the State Executive Committee, and attended a range of technical sessions and member functions. During this time I have met numerous other professional, many of whom have become friends and colleagues. IPWEA has therefore been a great source of knowledge and support through my work in Local Government and now as a consultant working on public works infrastructure projects.

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Elspeth Moroni

“IPWEA provide the opportunity to meet and network with like-minded people in a similar industry to discuss challenges and issues in the workplace. IPWEA also provides conferences, forums, tours and workshops to further develop my knowledge across all areas of public works. It provides a great mix of formal training and the opportunity to informally have a chat with other members over a beer!

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Heath Macpherson



IPWEA Victoria

Overview

Public Works practitioners play a crucial role in the planning and delivery of public works and engineering services to the community.

The Institute of Public Works Engineering Australia (IPWEA) is a national professional organisation providing member services and advocacy for those involved in the planning and delivery of public works and engineering services to the community. IPWEA (Vic) is a company and its operation is governed by a Constitution and By-Laws.

IPWEA (Vic) is the Victorian Division of IPWEA National, with our members representing practitioners in state and local government as well as private industry. Members are employed in a wide range of professions involving public works and services, including engineers, technicians, public works directors, contractors, consultants, managers and strategic planners.

IPWEA (Vic) promotes professionalism, education, knowledge sharing and technical knowledge and holds strategic alliances with other relevant organisations.

IPWEA (Vic) Statement of Purpose

To enhance the quality of life in Victorian communities through excellence in public works and services.

Means by which IPWEA (Vic) will realise its objective:

1. by embracing best practice in the planning and delivery of public works and services
2. by advancing public works and services issues through being a principal source of credible and authoritative advice
3. by developing strategic alliances
4. by facilitating innovation and leadership in the planning and delivery of public works and services
5. by developing and exchanging ideas, information and technology in the science and practice of public works
6. by fostering the professional and personal growth of persons involved in the planning and delivery of public works and services
7. by good governance, management and regional engagement.

“I enjoy the opportunity to meet other public works professionals across the industry. I use these opportunities to network, learn, and pass on knowledge. I know that my role in local government makes a difference to the community.

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Vicki Shelton





“As a young engineer I once asked the Shire Engineer about how I could best develop my career beyond what I experienced in my daily job. He encouraged me to join IMEA (now IPWEA) as it would provide opportunities for connecting with colleagues and keep me informed about the challenges in our sector. Being a member of IPWEA and becoming actively involved has given me skills and experience beyond my normal working role and has assisted me to achieve the level of Director at Yarra Ranges Council.

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Mark Varmalis

IPWEA Western Australia

Overview

The **Institute of Public Works Engineering Australia** (IPWEA) is a professional organisation providing member services and advocacy for those involved in delivering public works and engineering services to the community. Membership includes organisations and individuals in state, local government and in private industry.

IPWEA promotes professionalism, education and technical knowledge and holds strategic alliances with many other related organisations.

IPWEA is a federation of State Divisions responding to State based issues with a National Office to attend to national and international matters.

The **WA Division** has an office in Perth and a regional branch in the States south west.

The Division is active in developing and promoting the technical expertise and experience of our members. We are involved in a number of activities to achieve this goal including:

- Representation on key State and Local Government policy making and advisory committees
- Special projects to encourage Local Government best practice
- Organisation of high profile conferences, seminars and training activities to inform our members and other practitioners of the implications of industry best practice and technical standards, as well as changing legislation and emerging issues
- Organisation of special interest panels to provide a forum for members to raise and discuss issues that are of interest and impact upon them in their profession.

IPWEA has formed special interest networks, which meet regularly to further develop strategies and innovations in a range of areas.

“IPWEA provides me with the opportunity to meet a variety of people and helps me to gain an understanding of the difficulties within the sector. Young IPWEA allows me to connect with the younger professionals which opens up a range of opportunities and discussion for the industry - being able to understand the challenges is the first step to being able to assist in finding solutions.

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Kim Sedgwick



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