LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTED MEMBERS ASSOCIATION

LGEMA 2026 FORUM THREE

Date: SUNDAY 8 November 2026 **Time:** 12MD – 4pm

LGEMA MEMBERS AND MEMBER APPLICANTS ARE INVITED TO OUR NEXT LGEMA FORUM

WORKPLACE SAFETY:
early intervention
REFLECTIONS ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUDITS:
what we can learn from Nedlands independent forensic audit
UNDERSTANDING LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT BREACH CHANGES:
Elected Member conduct

Venue: **The Grove Library**, 1 Leake St, Peppermint Grove, WA, 6011
Travel and Parking: Near Cottesloe Train Station & Stirling Highway bus routes; free parking under Grove library & Woolworths carpark opposite library on Leake St.

Cost: $30 (catering and venue hire)

RSVP at TRY Bookings TBA; Or pay directly into LGEMA bank account by requesting our bank details to enquirires@lgema.org.au

12 MD – REGISTRATION AND LUNCH

1pm: TANIA WATERS from TAITE www.taite.com.au
WORKPLACE SAFETY: early intervention
Tania Waters specialises in workplace conflict resolution through mediation, conflict management coaching and group facilitation. She is also an instructional facilitator, accreditor and coach at the UWA Mediation Clinic.

Before establishing her own practice, Taite, in 2021, Tania spent much of her career in senior management roles within large commercial law firms in Singapore and Perth, including as a Senior HR Manager.

Since then, Tania has built a thriving mediation practice, largely through word of mouth. She has mediated workplace conflicts across Western Australia in more than 65 organisations, many of which have become repeat clients.

What Tania loves most about her work is helping people have the conversations they've been unable to have on their own. When people find the courage to speak openly, listen to one another and tackle what's difficult, something shifts. Perspectives change, relationships can be repaired, and people who have felt stuck begin to find a way forward.

For organisations, that can mean restored trust, stronger working relationships, better collaboration and a return to doing what people are there to do.

2pm: CRAIG ROSS – Chartered Accountant; Craig was employed directly by Nedlands Council to undertake a forensic audit and review of the ERP implementation (IT system implementation) to assist and advise EMs after the City of Nedlands received an OAG audit disclaimer

REFLECTIONS ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUDITS: what we can learn from City of Nedlands independent forensic audit

3 pm SANDRA BOULTER LGEMA Chairperson on EM behaviour breaches, EM conduct breaches, EM specified breaches, general complaints

UNDERSTANDING LG ACT CHANGES: Elected Member Conduct Rules

4pm > Drinks at nearby Albion Hotel