

Providing  
**Support**  
And  
**Education**  
To  
Local Authority  
Property Specialists

**Networking  
Opportunities**

**Annual Conference and  
Topical Workshops**

**Cost-effective**

**Worthwhile Promotional  
Opportunities for  
Corporates**

**The Local Government  
Property Association (Inc.)**

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## *“Get the support you need... Give support to others”*

In 1991, six local government property employees met together in Palmerston North to exchange ideas and work experience. News of that meeting spread, and so began an annual get-together of local government property employees.

Numbers grew; corporate sponsorship was offered for what had become known as ‘The Annual Local Government Property Conference’. Each conference was hosted by a different region in a co-operative fashion, allowing regular attendees to get to know the operations of other local authority areas as well as each other.

Conference costs were kept to a minimum, to allow opportunities for staff at all levels to attend. Workshops were designed to cater for all levels of experience.

Conference attendees began to express interest in a formal entity that would not only give structure to what had grown from the original gathering in 1991 and had become an important part of the annual local authority calendar, but would also be able to promote the education of members at all levels of experience, and to represent members’ interest in ad-hoc organisations such as the National Asset Management Steering Group (NAMS).

The Local Authority Property Association (Inc) was ratified and established at the 2005 conference, appropriately, again, in Palmerston North, where it all began.

As LAPA, the Local Authority Property Association, we are committed to maintaining the core principles that have continued from those early days:

- To provide a forum for co-operation and information sharing for council property staff, nationally
- To provide a national perspective on Local Authority Property issues
- To foster the exchange and dissemination of information amongst members
- To establish liaison with appropriate organisations
- To promote and support conferences, seminars and educational opportunities for members
- To provide support to members.

Local Authority Property is a specialist area of property management and property consultancy. A relatively small number of operators in this niche industry collectively manage the country’s largest and highest-valued property portfolios, dealing with property risks that have some of the most major and widest-felt impacts. Yet the specialist skills needed to properly implement roles in this sector are only briefly taught in tertiary courses and not heavily supported by professional associations, due to the relatively small number of workers in this area. LAPA exists to meet these needs.

If you work in the field of Local Government Property at any level and in any role, you are important to us, and we are important to you. We have made it easy to join our association, so do give this worthwhile opportunity your consideration.

## Membership Categories

### Full Membership

*(Open to Local Authority Property Employees)*

- Entitled to vote and take part in the affairs of the association as set out in the rules
- Receive the services of the association
- Fees may apply as set at the preceding AGM

### Group Membership

*(Open to Corporates Serving the Local Government Property Industry)*

- Not entitled to vote
- Nominate one person as a point of contact for the organisation
- Group members cannot hold office
- Fees will apply *(either directly or through sponsorship)*

*Applications may be made on the form enclosed with this brochure, or available by request to L.A.P.A.*