

**LGAQ ANNUAL CONFERENCE MOTION – 2016**

<b>Submitting council / organisation</b> Sunshine Coast Council	
<b>Date of council / organisation resolution</b> 18 August 2016	<b>LGAQ Policy Executive district</b> District 2 (South East)
<b>Number and title of motion</b>	
Motion	'To develop new guidelines to replace Guidelines On Arrangements For Infrastructure External To State Government Sites And Non-State Schools – December 1997' as detailed in Appendix A, to the Local Government Association Queensland for inclusion in the 120th Annual Conference Agenda.
Background	<p>The motion requests that <i>the Guidelines on Arrangements for Infrastructure External to State Government Sites and Non-State Schools – December 1997</i>, be reviewed. The Guidelines call on councils to design, document the required works and submit cost estimates to the relevant State Government agency for works external to State Government infrastructure. When applied to schools, this means that councils are required to address pick-up and set-down areas, roadworks, road widening, traffic island breaks, acceleration and deceleration lanes, footpaths and footpath widenings, external parking, signing and landscaping. The Guideline then states that a 50% subsidy will be provided to councils.</p> <p>The current arrangement was formulated at a time when grants and subsidies from the state government were such that it was considered reasonable for local government to comply with the requirements of these guidelines. As this is no longer the case, it is appropriate that the guidelines be abandoned, to be replaced with a more appropriately balanced agreement.</p> <p>In 2009, the LGAQ Annual Conference resolved to approach the state government for a review of the Guidelines, which attracted the following response from Minister Hinchliffe:</p> <p>"Formal guidelines detailing these arrangements, including operational guidelines, were published in December 1997. In all cases, a local government should consult with the relevant State Government agency about the development and the costs of the external infrastructure. The Government is not intending to review the current arrangements at this time".</p> <p>As seven years have elapsed since LGAQ last visited this issue, it is considered appropriate to push for State Government review again.</p>
What is the desired outcome sought?  What are the impacts (positive or negative) on local government?	That the LGAQ Annual Conference resolves to support the motion to engage with State Government to correct this unfair imposition on Local Government.
<b>LGAQ comment</b>	

