

Joint Organisations

A State Government perspective

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- **Preparing State Government to work with Joint Organisations**
- **Identifying emerging opportunities for Joint Organisations and State Government to work more effectively together**

Preparing State Agencies to work with JOs – to date

- Initial JO workshop in September 2014 between JOs and regional state government managers
- Executive Officers of JOs are now members of the Regional Leadership Group in each region
- Workshops across regions with regional state government managers and local government representatives
- Mid Pilot Workshop included senior managers from the state agencies
- Strong support from Regional Coordinators for JO priority projects

Future work to prepare State Agencies to work with JOs

- DPC & OLG leading work with Agencies centrally to communicate the vision of Joint Organisations and the potential for future collaborative work
- Briefings for Secretaries' Board
- Continuing the regional work to improve shared understanding of each other
- Identifying opportunities – both regional and central - where agencies not usually engaged with local government can become engaged

Identifying emerging opportunities

Finding the sweet spots

- Focussing on the core functions
- **Regional Strategic Planning & Priority setting**
 - Mapping current planning activity across agencies
 - Identifying where there is engagement with local government now
 - Focussing on opportunities for joint Regions Strategic Planning that doesn't happen now
- We do NOT want to stop any existing engagement between state agencies and local government now – especially in specific LGAs

Identifying emerging opportunities

Finding the sweet spots

- **Intergovernmental Collaboration**
 - Identified in the planning or opportunistic
 - Initiated by both JOs and Agencies
 - Need more support with agencies that haven't traditionally collaborated with Local Government – DPC role
 - E.g. Implementation of NDIS, regional responses to ICE, regional service coordination for Aged Care
 - Potential for JOs to be the commissioning body for service delivery
 - Potential for JOs to hold pooled funding from local, state and Australian government for specific regional programs

Identifying emerging opportunities

Finding the sweet spots

- **Regional Leadership and Advocacy**
 - Advocacy is something that Local Government has traditionally done very well
 - Stronger voice together, better evidence base, more strategic linkages to demonstrate outcomes regionally
 - State government managers have limited role in this
 - Regional Leadership is a potential area for JO to develop
 - Leading thinking, changing minds, articulating a regional vision
 - This will underpin the strength of the regional voice in advocacy and collaboration

Questions?

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