Local Government in NSW is facing significant challenges that demand fresh thinking. LGNSW Learning Solutions offers a range of programs to support the sector in thinking through new ways of doing business.

**Roundtable Program**

The Roundtable will cover:
- A summary of research findings on the pros and cons of mergers
- Case studies of recent mergers – forced and voluntary, more or less successful
- How the ILGRP’s analysis and findings link to the ‘Fit for the Future’ templates
- Alternative merger processes and what a merger may cost
- What works and what doesn’t.

**Facilitators**

The Roundtable will be led by experienced Local Government practitioners including:
- Jeff Tate, a former council CEO who has managed a large amalgamated council in South Australia, and one of the recent de-amalgamations in Queensland
- Denise Osborne, Councillor and Steven Pinnuck, General Manager, Greater Hume Shire Council (amalgamated from three councils)
- Professor Graham Sansom, former Chair Independent Local Government Review Panel
- Greg Hoffman PSM, General Manager – Advocacy, Local Government Association of Queensland
- Rob Kelly, Director Third Horizon
- Sarah Artist, Manager LGNSW Learning Solutions

**Who Should Attend?**

The roundtable will be of value to all those mayors, councillors and senior managers who need to consider whether a merger option is appropriate for their council, or might arise in the near future.

**To register**

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