

# Women in Local Government

## Ponder, plan and get practical

*"It is not women against men, it is women and men, and not that the world will be a better place if women run it, but that the world will be a better place when women who bring their perspectives share in running it."*

Indira Patel 2002

This is a rare opportunity for women members and men who support them to get together for listening, pondering and planning for VLGA's participation in the **National Year of Women in Local Government** in 2010 and its strategy towards the 2012 elections.

### Panel:

**Cr Luba Grigoravitch, Hobsons Bay City Council**

**Cr Pam McLeod, Whittlesea City Council and ALGWAVic President**

**Cr Paula Nixon, Central Goldfields Shire**

**Cr Beth Ripper, Wellington Shire and WPILGC Chair**

The panel will be facilitated by Board President Cr Rose Iser who will pose some critical questions to panel members about candidacy, the political culture of Local government and if gender makes a difference. Following a short time for audience questions, we will meet in small groups facilitated by VLGA Board members, each with a task to ponder and solve. The tasks will be based on problems identified by research. Then we will reconvene for general discussion towards our strategies for gender equity, diversity and active citizenship.

**All welcome. Gender equity is work that involves us all.**

### Details:

**Thursday 3rd September 2009**

**Rear Meeting Room, Ground Floor**

**60 Leicester Street, Carlton**

**6.30pm            Drinks and Finger Food**

**7.00-9.00pm    Leading Edge Forum**

**This Leading Edge Forum will be web-cast live.**

**(See [www.vlga.org.au](http://www.vlga.org.au) for details.)**

**Please RSVP by Thursday 27 August**  
**Numbers are strictly limited**  
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