

Getting things done !

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CEO

MAV

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- Established 1879
- Municipal Association of Victoria Act 1907
- Role
 - Advocate on behalf of the interests of local government
 - Support the development of local government
 - Provide insurance services

MAV Governance Structure

- Each member Council elects one delegate
- MAV State Council is the policy setting body of the association
- The State Council is made up of member Council delegates
- MAV Board oversees the activities of the Association
- MAV Board of 12 is elected from and by delegates
 - One board member from each region
 - 12 regions- 6 metropolitan, 6 rural

MAV President

- MAV President the most important position in Victorian local government
- Chief spokesperson for the sector
- Chairs the MAV State Council and Board
- Represents Victoria on the ALGA Board
- Meets with Premier and key Ministers on a regular basis
- Member of the Victorian State Local Government Agreement Committee with Minister for Local Government
- MAV President elected at large from delegates

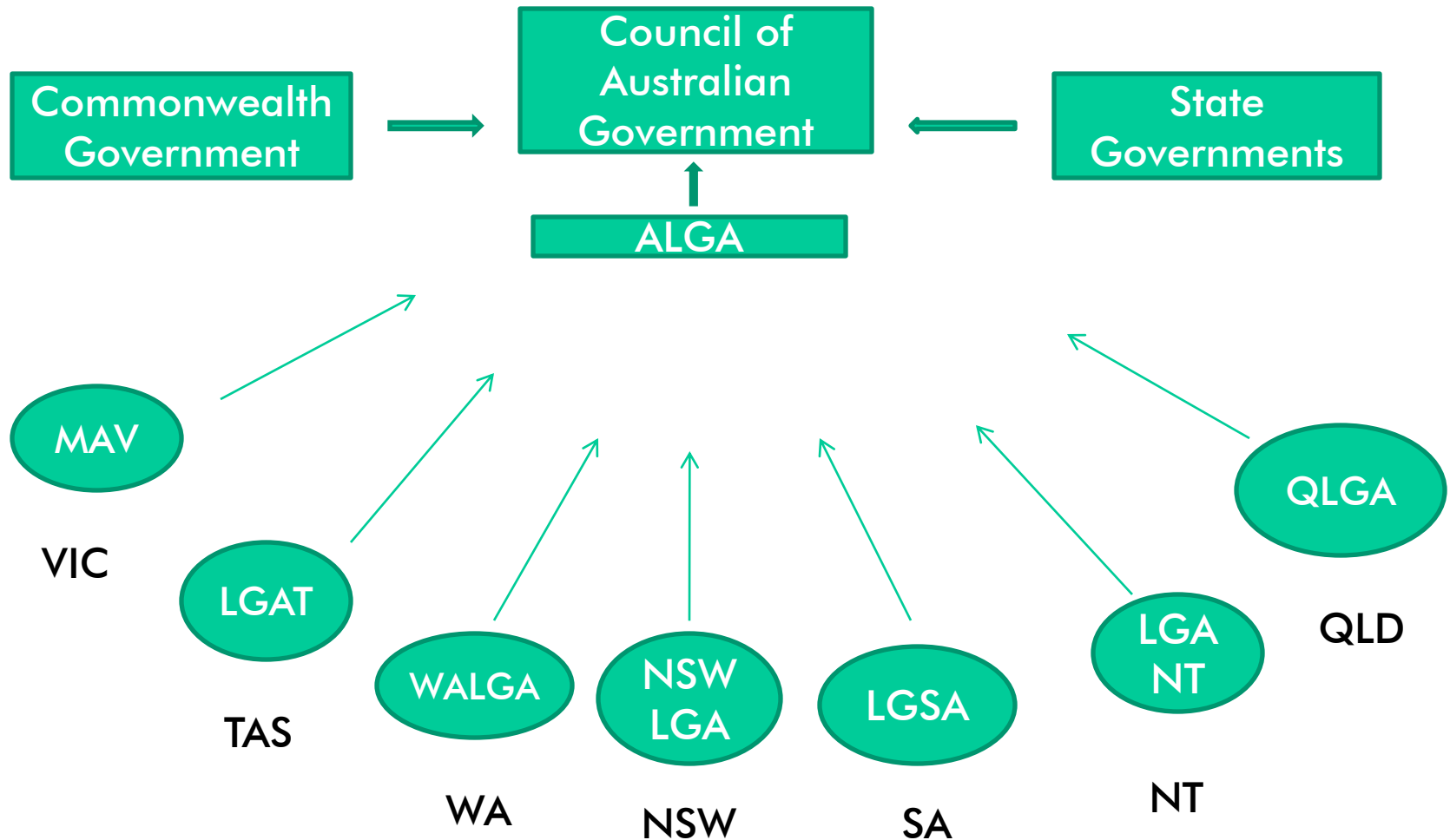
MAV Elections

- **MAV Presidential and Board election
6 March 2009**
- **Term of office two years**
- **Council delegates elect President and
their regional Board member**

Australian Local Government Association

- Federation of State Associations
- One member per State and Territory
- MAV is the Victorian member
- Each member has two voting delegates appointed from the State Association Board
- National President elected from the ALGA Board
- Current President Cr Geoff Lake from Victoria

National Structure



Attributes of successful Councils

- Clear direction with achievable milestones
- Milestones must be measurable
- Councillors working as a team and giving consistent messages
- Strong open relationship between Council and organisation
- Councillors focus on the ends not the means

Councils primary role

- Council Plan
- Strategic Resource Plan
- Annual Budget
- Performance measurement
- Policy setting
 - MSS
 - Rating policy
 - Local Laws
 - Health Plan etc etc

Measuring Performance

- Delivery of Council Plan
- Delivery of Annual Budget
- Community satisfaction survey outcomes
- Staff satisfaction survey outcomes
- CEO annual performance assessment

Key messages

- Council sets and CEO delivers strategy and policy
- Individual Councillors have no power
- Council decision making can only occur in a properly constituted meeting
- Council is a numbers game- you need majority support to succeed (a resolution requires a majority)