

# LG PROFESSIONALS AUSTRALIA CODE OF ETHICS

## PREAMBLE

The Code of Ethics was updated by Local Government Professionals Australia in 2018 in consultation with federation partners. It is a statement of abiding principles for members.

## PRINCIPLES

1. Recognise that the chief function of local government is to serve the best interests of the community.
2. Be committed to the concepts of effective and democratic local government.
3. To demonstrate by word and action the highest standards of ethical conduct and integrity in all stakeholder relationships, building the trust and respect of the elected members and appointed officials, employees and the public.
4. To ensure fairness and impartiality govern a member's decisions.
5. Not leverage their position for personal gain or benefit.
6. Conflicts of interest must be avoided and acted upon according to reporting procedures.
7. Refrain from all political activities which may undermine public confidence in professional administrators.

