

WALGA Taxation Support and Advisory Service



The WALGA Taxation Support and Advisory Service (“the Service”) offers up-to- date, relevant, and easy to understand information on all aspects of taxation that affect Local Government.

WHAT IS THE WALGA TAXATION SUPPORT AND ADVISORY SERVICE?

On 1 July 2008, WALGA appointed Moore Stephens as technical consultants and service providers for the Service. With an extensive Local Government knowledge, Moore Stephens provide professional taxation support and advice tailored to Local Government needs.

Currently more than 120 Local Governments benefit from the program.

Subscribers to the service receive:

- ✓ **Technical support**
 - Be aware of changes to tax law and able to resolve tax issues efficiently and effectively.
- ✓ **Online support**
 - Submit requests in relation to Local Government taxation matters.
- ✓ **Website access**
 - Log support requests and access technical updates, bulletins, newsletters, alerts and training information.
- ✓ **E-Newsletters**
 - Gain information relating to legislative changes, recent and relevant enquiries that may be of general interest across the industry, and current topical issues impacting Local Government.

In the past 12 months over 400 enquiries were received through the WALGA Tax Service.

WHAT HELP AND SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS?

An experienced team is available to respond and offer support to subscribers on a broad range of enquiries including:

- ✓ Property transactions;
- ✓ GST on Fee and Charges;
- ✓ Payments to suppliers;
- ✓ Elected member taxation;
- ✓ GST on Grants and appropriations;
- ✓ PAYG withholding and Eligible Termination Payments (ETPs);
- ✓ Superannuation;
- ✓ FBT matters;
- ✓ Salary packaging; and
- ✓ Compliance with Australian Taxation Office (ATO) requirements.

The following additional services are available for a fee:

- ✓ Dedicated and comprehensive research to meet query requirements;
- ✓ Prepare and lodge your Business Activity Statement (BAS);
- ✓ Prepare and lodge your FBT return;
- ✓ Review or prepare a salary packaging guide;
- ✓ Review your fees and charge schedule;
- ✓ Prepare and manage a private binding ruling request to the ATO;
- ✓ Assist with managing an ATO compliance audit; and
- ✓ Undertake a comprehensive review of your tax compliance with the results presented in a written report.

