

# CROWN LAND

## LAW, POLICY & PRACTICE

*Presenter: David Gabriel-Jones, Principal, The Public Land Consultancy*

This one-day professional development course for managers, planners and users of Crown land in Victoria provides a sound overview of the legislation governing Crown land, the administrative arrangements for its governance, and the major policy considerations affecting its planning, use and development. The course is suitable for officers of councils, statutory authorities, and government departments – as well as private sector practitioners

### *Examples of Crown Land studied in this course*

Major sporting complexes, racecourses and showgrounds controlled by statutory authorities

*Recreation reserves and public halls managed by community clubs and organisations*

River frontages and unused roads licensed to abutting landowners

*Marinas, restaurants, caravan parks and tourist facilities built and operated by commercial developers*

Roads, lanes and tracks controlled and managed by councils, VicRoads or DSE

*National, regional and other parks and conservation reserves managed by Parks Victoria*

Reserves, gardens and foreshores managed by councils or committees of management

*Operational Crown land used for schools, hospitals, service utilities, council depots etc*

### COURSE CONTENT

- ❖ **Land Status in Victoria**  
*How Crown land in Victoria is owned, legally categorised and designated; Which laws apply to the different types of Crown land; How land status may be changed*
- ❖ **Authority Systems**  
*The chain of responsibility for Crown land; How power over Crown land is assigned and exercised; How governance arrangements may be altered...*
- ❖ **Delegated Management**  
*The composition, powers and duties of trustees and committees of management; the roles and powers of authorities with vested land; models of sub-delegation...*
- ❖ **Crown Tenures**  
*How Crown land may be used for private, commercial and community purposes under leases, licences and permits; Balancing commercial outcomes and the public interest*
- ❖ **Use and Development of Crown Land**  
*How controls over Crown land contrast with controls over freehold land; An introduction to native title, environmental and heritage controls and the Coastal Management Act*
- ❖ **Roads, Rivers, Railways**  
*An introduction to the complex body of statutory and common law relating to the ownership and management of roads and lanes, railway land, rivers and river frontages*

#### **Cost**

**\$495 per student**

*including GST, full course notes and working lunch*

Discounts for course hosts

Maximum of 10 students per course

#### **Dates & Venues**

*This course is presented several times per year in Melbourne and provincial locations.*

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