

Local government can be a committee of management in its own right and can also support and partner with volunteer committees of management that report to DELWP.

### **DELWP and local government (Shire/City of/Council)**

Local government can be appointed by DELWP to be a committee of management over Crown land reserves. They can manage this land directly or through council appointed community committees that report to the Shire/Council.

These Fact Sheets are designed to support volunteer committees of management who are supported by and report to DELWP.

### **Local government can be of significant support**

Local governments can offer a range of supports to committees of management that formally report to DELWP. This may include opportunities for reserve or open space planning, running joint projects, grants programs run by the Shire/Council and other support.

### **Some questions for committees to consider**

- Is your committee familiar with the Open Space Strategy of your Shire/Council and the extent to which it considers key issues in future for the Crown land reserve(s) you and your committee are responsible for?
- In what ways might your Shire/Council be able to provide positive support to your committee in the future?
- Are there any ways in which the Planning Scheme of your Shire/Council may impact on the work of your committee regarding works or development?
- Do you or other members of your committee have good networks with key people at the Shire/Council?
- Is your committee well-positioned to communicate with the Shire/Council when you need to?
- Are you aware of any up-coming funding opportunities through the Shire/Council?