

# Program

**Annual General Meeting  
Mayors, Councillors and CEOs Forum**  
Wednesday 16 October 2019



Time	Session
9.00am	Registration
9.30am	<b>Annual General Meeting</b>
10.00am	<b>Welcome</b> Cr Mary-Ann Brown – Chair, Rural Councils Victoria
10.15am	<b>Lessons From a Changing Political Landscape</b> Gabrielle Chan – Author and political journalist
11.00am	Morning tea and networking
11.30am	<b>A new approach to Rural and Regional Policy and Investment</b> Beth Jones – CEO, Regional Development Victoria
12.15pm	<b>Regional Discussion Groups</b> Hosted by RCV Committee Members
1.00pm	Lunch and networking
1.45pm	<b>Summary of morning session</b> Cr Mary-Ann Brown – Chair, Rural Councils Victoria
2.00pm	<b>Advocating for our Communities</b> Damian Mannix – Director, The Agenda Group Kathleen Hurley – Director, Research and Data, The Agenda Group
2.30pm	<b>What the Evidence Tells Us</b> Dave Barry – Deputy Victorian Auditor General, VAGO Ryan Green – Director, Local Government Performance Audit, VAGO
3.15pm	<b>Closing Remarks</b> Cr Mary-Ann Brown – Chair, Rural Councils Victoria
3.30pm	Afternoon tea and networking