

**Memorandum of Understanding
signed on 13 March 2018 between the Local Government
Association of Queensland Ltd. and The University of the Third
Age Network Queensland Inc.**

Purpose

This memorandum of understanding (MOU) establishes a collaborative partnership between the Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) and The University of the Third Age Network Queensland Inc (U3A Network Qld). This agreement is undertaken in good faith and in the spirit of collaboration. It is not intended as a legally binding document or a formal statement committing the LGAQ and U3A Network Qld to prescribed outcomes.

The purpose of the agreement is to work in partnership to promote healthy ageing by facilitating local communities' access to the educational, creative and leisure activities provided by U3A groups.

This MOU provides a vehicle for the LGAQ and U3A Network Qld to collaboratively support each other's organisations and activities.

Mission and Objectives

The LGAQ is the peak body for local government in Queensland. It is a not-for-profit association set up solely to serve councils and their individual needs. The LGAQ has been advising, supporting and representing local councils since 1896, allowing them to improve their operations and strengthen relationships with their communities. The LGAQ does this by connecting councils to people and places that count, supporting their drive to innovate and improve service delivery through smart services and sustainable solutions and delivering them the means to achieve community professional and political excellence.

The U3A Network Qld, established in 2009, is a registered not-for-profit organisation set up to support and act as an advisory body for its member U3As throughout Queensland. The Network represents 33 autonomous U3A groups throughout the State, including U3A Online, and 30 U3As are members of the Network. U3As provide academic, recreational and social activities in support of lifelong learning and wellbeing of senior people in their local communities. Membership of U3A has no age restrictions but is aimed at people who are retired or about to enter retirement and there are no entry requirements and no exams or assignments. Classes, activities and administration are provided by volunteers who are experienced and skilled in their fields of knowledge.

The aims of the U3A Network Qld are to:

- Represent U3A in Queensland and negotiate with other bodies on behalf of the U3A

movement within the State to obtain benefits for all U3As Establish and maintain contact with each other Provide support in reaching common goals Share resources Foster new U3A groups,

- Improve the status of U3A within the wider community

U3A

LGAQ

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
OF QUEENSLAND

Terms of Agreement

This agreement formally sets out the intent of the two organisations to develop mutually beneficial arrangements to promote healthy ageing.

The parties agree to, where possible and relevant:

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Promote products, services and training opportunities to members where relevant and where not in direct conflict with the objectives of either organisation

Promote each other's relevant programs and events in respective marketing and communications

Provide reciprocal speakers at relevant conferences and events

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The agreement shall be reviewed biennially to ensure it is fulfilling its purpose and to make any necessary revisions.

Either organisation may terminate this agreement upon written notice without penalties or liabilities. This MOU does not necessarily constitute the endorsement of either organisation's opinions or position. The signing of this MOU is not a formal undertaking. It implies that the signatories will strive to achieve, to the best of their ability, the objectives stated in the MOU. The MOU will benefit the membership of both organisations by facilitating mutual understanding, and promoting the transfer of current knowledge and information.

Signatories:

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Date: 13 March 2018