



# Sustainable Communities Critical Insights

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The Institute of Public Works Engineering Australia (IPWEA) has produced a DVD presenting a sustainable framework for the management of community infrastructure. It is based on 3 key elements:

**Stewardship:** The Role of Elected Members

Elected Members need an understanding of their role as stewards of the communities' assets.

**Asset Planning:** Managing Existing as well as New

We need to know the resources required to sustainably manage existing assets into the future. This is through the preparation of Asset Management Plans.

**Financial Planning:** An Essential Part of Business

The third element is to move from annual budgeting to long term financial planning. Ten year financial strategies need to be founded on sound 20 year asset management plans.

The above three elements provide the framework for implementing a sustainable approach to the management of community infrastructure.



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This DVD is an initiative of IPWEA through its National Asset Management Strategy Committee (NAMS.AU).

It provides critical insights into sustainably managing the infrastructure our communities rely upon.

The DVD comprises a full version (20 mins) and a shorter summary version (8.5 mins). The full version can also be accessed in a series of 5 chapters based on the key elements for a sustainable infrastructure framework.

## HOW TO USE DVD

- Show the summary version for a snapshot overview of the issues.
- Use the full version to provide structured discussion forums that encourage feedback and debate on the critical issues. Can also present chapter by chapter.
- Print the Information Sheet PDF from the DVD to provide handouts of key messages.

IPWEA provides a range of references, tools, training, in-house workshops and other asset management resources. Visit IPWEA's website for further details or contact IPWEA directly.

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