

Ask not what your federation can do for you, ask
what you can do for your federation.

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A remote town in WA

- 1400 population
- 63 service providers
- 206 services
- \$58.7mil per annum expenditure
- > \$41k per person per year
- Most services/programs meeting their requirements
- **No significant population-level improvement in 15 years**

Important Elements of Place-based Approaches

1. Understand the place and see the issues as joined-up
2. Have an effective framework for integrating effort within and across government
3. Understand that collaborative approaches require capacity building and cultural change both within government and the community
4. Ensure planning and delivery is supported by evaluation and impact assessment

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5. Understand that partnering with the community requires meaningful local involvement in determining issues and solutions
6. Establish governance arrangements that support local decision-making and clear standards and accountabilities
7. Commit and resource approaches for the long-term.

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Place-Based Governance and Local Democracy – Key Dialogue Questions

1. Why are place-based (community) approaches emerging as a governance model?
2. What are the essential elements of place-based governance, and what role should local government play?
3. Are local councils functioning effectively as democratic institutions? If not, why?
4. What are the key areas in which local government needs to adapt or improve its performance to be a champion and enabler of place-based governance and local democracy?
5. What do you see as good examples of sound practice and innovation in this field?
6. How might place-based governance approaches impact local democratic practice, the role of elected representatives and council managers?

THE END (or is it the beginning...)