

2018 Local Government NSW Conference Actions

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<p>F2 City of Sydney, Campbelltown City Council, and Board – Constitution That the Local Government and Shires Association of New South Wales, being a registered organisation under the <i>Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009</i> (Cth) (the “Association”): 1. Amend the Association’s rules in the terms proposed below. 2. In furtherance of 1 above, make application to the Fair Work Commission to amend the Association’s rules.</p>	LGNSW Rules	LGNSW Rules	Application to the Fair Work Commission to amend the LGNSW (Federal) rules in November 2018.	Fair Work Commission confirmed Rule changes effective from March 2019.
<p>2 Bourke Shire Council – Drought disaster policy That the NSW Government as a matter of urgency develop a policy framework which clearly defines when an area is deemed to be in “drought” and also develops a range of measures that provide assistance to farmers and small business impacted by drought conditions including clear criteria which needs to be straight forward and inclusive, so that such assistance can be accessed in a timely fashion. <i>This issue was also raised by Gunnedah Shire, Warren Shire, and Wollondilly Shire Councils</i></p>	Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principles	Added to new Drought Position Statement	<p>Letters to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, former Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage The Hon. John Barilaro MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional NSW, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business The Hon. Barnaby Joyce MP, former Federal Special Envoy for Drought Assistance and Recovery <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister Kean, newly appointed Minister for Energy and Environment The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, newly appointed Minister for Local Government The Hon. John Barilaro MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional NSW, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business <p>Representations made at meetings with Ministers Hancock and Pavey.</p> <p>LGNSW held a drought summit on 1-2 October 2019 which identified a number of key short and long term priorities.</p> <p>These priorities were subsequently endorsed at the 2019 Annual Conference.</p>	<p>Response received from the Hon. Barnaby Joyce MP, Special Envoy for Drought Assistance and Recovery on 12 February 2019 (Cc. to Hon. David Littleproud MP., Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources and Minister for Assisting the PM for Drought Preparation and Response).</p> <p>NSW Minister for Agriculture and Western NSW has spoken of the need to provide more assistance (May 2019).</p> <p>While we commend the State and Federal Governments on the various drought relief measures that they have introduced, it is disappointing that no funding has yet been approved for rate relief.</p> <p>We commend the Federal Government on the Drought Communities Extension Program which has provided \$1 million each to many drought affected councils to provide stimulus and help maintain employment. We are currently actively engaged in building the case for another round of funding.</p> <p>We also commend the NSW Government for the \$355 million increase in drought assistance measures included in this year’s state budget. We particularly welcomed the \$170 million Drought Stimulus Package for shovel ready infrastructure projects that include regional airport upgrades, activation of industrial lands and CBD revitalisation projects. Much of this will be channelled through councils in drought affected areas and recognises the important role councils play in supporting local economies.</p> <p>Response received from the Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, Minister for Local Government on 1 August 2019. The response details the \$1.8bn in assistance already being provided by the NSW Government.</p> <p>Response received from the Hon John Barilaro MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional NSW, Minister for Industry and Trade in September 2019.</p>
<p>3 Coffs Harbour City Council – Drought relief policy and relief package That the Annual Conference of Local Government NSW consider seeking the development of a policy and associated relief package by Local Government NSW designed to support drought stricken NSW farmers. This policy and package could be developed in a similar manner to the legal assistance policy and guidelines. Contributions from individual councils should be entirely voluntary with no council under any obligation to make a contribution.</p>	Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principles	Added to new Drought Position Statement	Advocated through LGNSW’s 2019-2020 State Budget – NSW Local Government Priorities submission.	<p>LGNSW has set up a register and invited drought affected councils to advise drought assistance needs. LGNSW will then facilitate assistance from other councils in a position to help.</p> <p>For further information and to lodge requests contact to Shaun McBride or Mark Hely.</p>
<p>4 Bland Shire Council – Drought relief through rate rebates That Local Government NSW lobbies the NSW Government to introduce a drought relief package based on a rate rebate of 50% for all farmland categorised land with that 50% being paid to the local council to maintain vital infrastructure in those drought affected areas. <i>This issue was also raised by Lachlan Shire Council</i></p>	Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principles	Added to new Drought Position Statement	<p>Letters to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, former Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage The Hon. John Barilaro MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional NSW, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business The Hon. Barnaby Joyce MP, former Federal Special Envoy for Drought Assistance and Recovery 	<p>Response received from the Hon. Barnaby Joyce MP, Special Envoy for Drought Assistance and Recovery on 12 February 2019 (Cc. to Hon. David Littleproud MP., Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources and Minister for Assisting the PM for Drought Preparation and Response).</p> <p>NSW Minister for Agriculture and Western NSW has spoken of the need to provide more assistance (May 2019).</p>

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<p>5 Gunnedah Shire Council – Support for agricultural dependant businesses</p> <p>That Local Government NSW calls upon the Federal Government to extend an income management scheme based upon the "Farm Management Deposit" scheme to businesses which rely upon the agricultural sector for the majority of their revenue. This would help improve the economic stability of rural communities during droughts and therefore strengthen the financial sustainability of councils.</p>	<p>Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principles</p>	<p>Added to new Drought Position Statement</p>	<p>Letters to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, former Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage The Hon. John Barilaro MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional NSW, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business The Hon. Barnaby Joyce MP, former Federal Special Envoy for Drought Assistance and Recovery <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, newly appointed Minister for Local Government The Hon. John Barilaro MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional NSW, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business <p>Representations made at meetings with Ministers Hancock and Pavey.</p> <p>Advocated through LGNSW's 2019-2020 State Budget – NSW Local Government Priorities submission.</p> <p>LGNSW held a drought summit on 1-2 October 2019 which identified a number of key short and long term priorities.</p> <p>These priorities were subsequently endorsed at the 2019 Annual Conference.</p>	<p>Response received from the Hon. Barnaby Joyce MP, Special Envoy for Drought Assistance and Recovery on 12 February 2019 (Cc. to Hon. David Littleproud MP., Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources and Minister for Assisting the PM for Drought Preparation and Response).</p> <p>NSW Minister for Agriculture and Western NSW has spoken of the need to provide more assistance (May 2019).</p> <p>See above.</p> <p>Response received from the Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, Minister for Local Government on 1 August 2019.</p> <p>Response received from the Hon John Barilaro MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional NSW, Minister for Industry and Trade in September 2019.</p>
<p>6 Coolamon Shire Council – Fuel excise levy - R2R funding</p> <p>That Local Government NSW lobbies the Federal Government for the permanent inclusion of a percentage of the fuel excise levy to be provided as an increase to the existing Roads to Recovery (R2R) funding program for local government.</p> <p><i>This issue was also raised by Bland Shire Council</i></p>	<p>Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principles</p> <p>Local government must have control of its revenue raising and investment decisions and be fairly funded by the Commonwealth and State/NSW Governments to meet its infrastructure and service responsibilities.</p>	<p>Consistent with Finance and Infrastructure Position Statements</p>	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Michael McCormack MP, Federal Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development (forwarded to Senator the Hon. Bridget McKenzie) <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Mark Coulton MP, newly appointed Federal Minister for Regional Services, Decentralisation and Local Government 	<p>Response received from Richard Hay - A/General Manager, Local Government and Regional Development Australia Branch, Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities on behalf of Senator the Hon. Bridget McKenzie, Minister for Regional Services, Sport, Local Government and Decentralisation, 26 April 2019 advising Commonwealth Government now in caretaker mode.</p> <p>Response received from the Hon. Mark Coulton MP, Minister for Regional Services, Decentralisation and Local Government, Assistant Trade and Investment Minister on behalf of the Australian Government in September 2019.</p>
<p>7 North Sydney Council – Rating system for local government</p>	<p>Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principles</p>	<p>Consistent with Finance Position Statement</p>	<p>Advocated through LGNSW's 2019-2020 State Budget – NSW Local Government Priorities submission.</p>	<p>Achieved.</p> <p>Released Friday 21 June.</p>

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<p>That Local Government NSW requests the NSW Government to release the IPART Review of the Local Government Rating System - Draft Report of August 2016. <i>This issue was also raised by Blacktown City, City of Canterbury Bankstown, and City of Ryde Councils</i></p>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Raised with the Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, newly appointed Minister for Local Government. <p>This is a matter of ongoing advocacy by LGNSW and it is an issue that we have, and will continue to, raise with the Government.</p> <p>LGNSW Prepared a submission to Government response in Sept.</p>	
<p>8 Wingecarribee Shire Council – Crown Land management That the NSW Government address the inadequate base level of funding of \$30,000 provided to councils to comply with the Crown Land Management Act's requirement to prepare plans of management for all Crown Land that they manage; and allow for a transition period greater than three years to have adopted plans in place for all Crown reserves managed as community land. <i>This issue was also raised by Lithgow City and Shoalhaven City Councils</i></p>	Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principles	Consistent with Finance Position Statement	<p>Letters to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Paul Toole MP, Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing Crown Lands Commissioner <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Adam Marshall MP, newly appointed Minister for Agriculture and Western NSW <p>Advocated through LGNSW's 2019-2020 State Budget – NSW Local Government Priorities submission</p> <p>LGNSW holding Crown Land Summits in Lismore (14 August) and Sydney (12 November).</p> <p>Representations have been made to Crown Lands Commissioner.</p>	
<p>9 Greater Hume Shire Council – Potential changes to the LG Investment Order That: 1. Local Government NSW makes strong representations to NSW Treasury Corporation (TCorp) and the Office of Local Government (OLG) opposing any substantial changes to the Ministerial Investment Order that would restrict council investment in unrated Approved Deposit Institutions (ADIs) (e.g. small banks, building societies and credit unions). 2. Councils making application to TCorp for loan funds not be subjected to financial covenants that severely restrict investments with unrated small banks, building societies and credit unions.</p>	Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principles	Consistent with Finance Position Statement	<p>Letters to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage TCorp Office of Local Government <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, newly appointed Minister for Local Government 	<p>Acknowledgement received from Peter Warne Chair (Interim) TCorp indicating matter was under discussion with NSW Treasury 1 April 2019.</p> <p>Response received from Michael Pratt AM - Secretary, NSW Treasury on behalf of Peter Warne, Chair - NSW Treasury Corporation 7 May 2019.</p> <p>Chief Executive of OLG has verbally advised that the Local government Investment Order is not currently under review.</p> <p>Response received from the Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, Minister for Local Government on 1 August 2019.</p>
<p>10 Penrith City Council – Boarding houses That Local Government NSW writes to the Minister for Planning and Environment requesting that the boarding houses division of the <i>State Environmental Planning Policy (Affordable Rental Housing) 2009</i> (the SEPP) be amended.</p> <p>It is proposed that the amendments include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requirement for a social impact study to be submitted with boarding house applications. Enabling councils to refuse development consent in certain circumstances, for example, when boarding houses are proposed in inappropriate locations without adequate access to public transport, services and jobs. Removal of the words "not more than" from Division 3, Clause 29 Section 2.e.iii "in the case of any development - not more than 1 parking space is provided for each person employed in connection with the development and who is resident on site." A minimum percentage of affordable rental housing in boarding houses. Objectives and actions for monitoring the effectiveness of boarding houses in contributing to the supply of affordable rental housing. <p><i>This issue was also raised by Cumberland, Willoughby City, and Wingecarribee Shire Councils</i></p>	Consistent with Planning Fundamental Principles	Consistent with Planning and Local Decision Making Position Statement	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Anthony Roberts MP, Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister of State <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Rob Stokes MP, newly appointed Minister for Planning and Public Spaces <p>LGNSW has sought a further review and engagement with councils about boarding house provisions in the ARHSEPP. This was raised by LGNSW President when she met with the Minister for Planning in May 2019.</p>	<p>The NSW Government has amended the <i>State Environmental Planning Policy (Affordable Rental Housing) 2009</i> (ARHSEPP) to limit the size of boarding houses to no more than 12 rooms in low density (R2 zoned) residential areas.</p> <p>The Department of Planning, Industry and Environment established a working group of LGNSW and councils to develop policy options to address concerns with the implementation of the ARHSEPP. The Council Boarding House Working Group Report was finalised in August and forwarded to the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces in September. LGNSW requested an update on the status of the report in October. The Department of Planning Industry and Environment advised that the report is being considered.</p> <p>Response received from the Hon. Rob Stokes MP, Minister for Planning and Public Spaces in October 2019.</p>
<p>11 Blacktown City Council – Rezoned land That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to not allow land to be rezoned by the Minister for Planning unless a</p>	Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principles and	Consistent with Planning and Local Decision Making Position	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Anthony Roberts MP, Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister of State 	Response received from the Hon. Rob Stokes MP , Minister for Planning and Public Spaces in October 2019.

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contributions plan has been made that funds the local infrastructure to which the rezoning applies.	Infrastructure Fundamental Principle	Statement and Infrastructure Position Statement	Letter resent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Rob Stokes MP, newly appointed Minister for Planning and Public Spaces 	
<p>12 Liverpool City Council – Exemption from IHAP changes That Local Government NSW writes to the Minister for Planning to advocate that while local planning panels remain imposed on metropolitan councils for changes to the <i>Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979</i> and <i>Electoral Legislation Amendment (Planning Panels and Enforcement) Act 2017</i> to incorporate one of the following models:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A model where an Independent Hearing and Assessment Panels (IHAP) makes a recommendation to council and council makes the determination; or Something similar to a JRPP model where a number of councillors are appointed to a panel. 	Consistent with Planning Fundamental Principles	Consistent with Local Decision Making Position Statement on IHAPs	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Anthony Roberts MP, Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister of State. <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Rob Stokes MP, newly appointed Minister for Planning and Public Spaces <p>LGNSW and Central Coast Council co-hosted a forum on IHAPs in March, which confirmed the local government sector's opposition to the mandatory introduction of Planning Panels and the widespread use of State Environment Planning Policies (SEPPs), which override council planning controls and powers. (https://lgnsw.org.au/news/media-release/media-release-mayors-united-call-restore-planning-powers-communities)</p> <p>LGNSW President and the Mayors of Central Coast and Newcastle met with senior staff from Minister Stokes' Office on 3 July 2019 to advocate against the expansion of local planning panels.</p> <p>LGNSW issued a media release on 26 August (Local Governments call for Halt to State's Erosion of Local Planning Powers)</p>	<p>Response received from the Hon. Rob Stokes MP, Minister for Planning and Public Spaces on 1 October 2019.</p> <p>NSW Government announced on 25 August 2019 that Central Coast Council is to have a local planning panel. The Minister refers to the independent review by University of Technology, and advises that "the NSW Government is committed to commence an 18-month review this month."</p> <p>Response received from the Hon. Rob Stokes MP, Minister for Planning and Public Spaces in October 2019.</p>
<p>13 Wingecarribee Shire Council – Amendments to Development Approval process That the NSW Department of Planning and Environment undertake action that will enable new dwelling houses and alterations and additions to dwelling houses to be considered in a single application process instead of the current development application, construction certificate and associated approvals that are required in order to achieve approval for developments that are not eligible to be considered as Complying Development.</p>	Consistent with Planning Fundamental Principles and Accountability Fundamental Principle	Resolution seeks an action	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Anthony Roberts MP, Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister of State. <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Rob Stokes MP, newly appointed Minister for Planning and Public Spaces 	<p>Response received from the Hon. Rob Stokes MP, Minister for Planning and Public Spaces on 1 October 2019. The Minister has referred Council's feedback to the relevant policy teams within the DPIE.</p> <p>Response received from the Hon. Rob Stokes MP, Minister for Planning and Public Spaces in October 2019.</p>
<p>14 Blacktown City Council – Certification of development by private certifiers That Local Government NSW lobbies the NSW Government to amend the <i>Building Professionals Act 2005</i> or its succeeding legislation to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Provide for the protection and compensation of consumers of building developments against the unsatisfactory professional conduct or professional misconduct of any private accredited certifier who practices as a public official, but not in the public interest. Assure consumers that private accredited certifiers accredited by the Building Professionals Board (BPB) who cannot secure adequate commercial professional indemnity insurance can continue their Principal Certifier (previously the Principal Certifying Authority) role until an Occupation Certificate is issued for the development. Minimise the possibility and ease by which councils with limited professional staff resources are being compelled to accept appointments as Replacement Principal Certifier where private accredited certifiers lose their accreditation through disciplinary action by the BPB, lack of a reasonable professional indemnity insurance policy offered by the insurance industry, or for any other reason. Provide for consumer protection in the event the insurance industry moves to reduce or remove cover from private certifiers and the certification industry. That the legislation be enhanced to give councils more powers to deal with private certification of non complying development. 	Consistent with Planning Fundamental Principles and Governance Fundamental Principle	Consistent with Building Regulation and Certification Position Statement	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Matt Kean MP, Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Kevin Anderson MP, newly appointed Minister for Better Regulation & Innovation <p>At councils' request, LGNSW continues to advocate for a building and certification system that delivers well-built, safe and compliant buildings that protect the public interest. This was raised by the LGNSW President when she met with the Minister for Planning in May 2019.</p> <p>LGNSW President also advocated these concerns to the NSW Building Minister in a meeting on 18 September 2019. In a follow-up meeting with the Building Commissioner on 28 October 2019 LGNSW outlined new LGNSW policy on private certification adopted at Annual Conference.</p> <p>The following submissions have been made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> November 2018 – submission to Improving Certifier Independence Options Paper July 2019 - submission to <i>Building Stronger Foundations Discussion Paper</i>. August 2019 - submission to the Parliamentary Inquiry into Regulation of building standards, building quality and building disputes. 	<p>The NSW Government has released a Discussion Paper Building Stronger Foundations which proposes reforms to address accountabilities of designers and builders in the construction industry, and introduce a 'duty of care' provisions.</p> <p>NSW Fair Trading has invited LGNSW to participate in a stakeholder working group to Assist in further developing the proposals outlined in the <i>Building Stronger Foundations</i> discussion paper.</p> <p>A Parliamentary Inquiry commenced in July 2019 into Regulation of building standards, building quality and building disputes. Public hearings were held in August, with additional hearings scheduled in November.</p> <p>NSW Government introduced the Design and Building Practitioners Bill 2019 into Parliament in October. The Minister states in the Second Reading Speech that: "The bill reflects only the first tranche of reforms this Government expects to make as part of the biggest overhaul of the New South Wales building sector. The Building Commissioner has started to develop a strategy and implementation plan for 2019 to 2025 to regain public confidence and create a new customer focused facing construction industry."</p>

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<p><i>This issue was also raised by City of Parramatta, Cumberland, Hornsby Shire, Orange City, and Willoughby City Councils</i></p>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> October 2019 - Supplementary submission to the Parliamentary Inquiry into Regulation of building standards, building quality and building disputes. October 2019 - submission on Design and Building Practitioners Bill 2019; and October 2019 - submission on draft Building and Development Certifier Regulation 2019. <p>LGNSW President, Linda Scott, appeared at the public hearing Regulation of building standards, building quality and building disputes on 16 August.</p> <p>LGNSW represented members' views at stakeholder roundtables to discuss building reforms in July, September.</p>	
<p>15 Moree Plains Shire Council – Local Environmental Plan processes That Local Government NSW commends the Minister for Planning, the Hon. Anthony Roberts MP, for implementing the role of Chief Planner of NSW. Further, that the Minister be requested to initiate a review of the “Gateway” mechanism for rural and regional councils so that this operates on faster timeframes as was the case when the process was initiated, to complement the other recent improvements to Local Environmental Plan processing.</p>	Consistent with Planning Fundamental Principles	Amended the Planning & Local Decision Making Position Statement	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Anthony Roberts MP, Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister of State. <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Rob Stokes MP, newly appointed Minister for Planning and Public Spaces <p>In a meeting with the Minister for planning in May 2019, the LGNSW President has sought to work with government to explore ways to address the ‘two-tier’ planning system in NSW, with greater consideration of how the planning system can support regional and rural communities and the resources they have available to implement it.</p>	<p>Response received from the Hon. Rob Stokes MP, Minister for Planning and Public Spaces on 1 October 2019. The Minister has acknowledged Council’s feedback and gave assurance that NSW Government is committed to continuous improvement in this area.</p> <p>Response received from the Hon. Rob Stokes MP, Minister for Planning and Public Spaces in October 2019.</p>
<p>16 Tweed Shire Council – Noise impacts for unit holders That Local Government NSW requests the NSW Government review their controls for noise impacts from units holders on the unit holders below them, including but not limited to the exempt and complying provisions for floor coverings, that enable unlimited noise impacts for units built prior to the 2016 Building Code of Australia (BCA), and up to 62 L'nT,w for units built subject to the 2016 BCA.</p>	Consistent with Social and Community Fundamental Principles	Amended Strong and Inclusive Communities Position Statement to note position on accessibility in development	<p>Letters to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Anthony Roberts MP, Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister of State The Hon. Matt Kean MP, Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Rob Stokes MP, newly appointed Minister for Planning and Public Spaces The Hon. Kevin Anderson MP, newly appointed Minister for Better Regulation & Innovation 	<p>Response received from the Hon. Rob Stokes MP, Minister for Planning and Public Spaces on 1 October 2019. The Minister has referred Council’s feedback to the relevant policy teams within the DPIE for consideration.</p> <p>Response received from the Hon. Rob Stokes MP, Minister for Planning and Public Spaces in October 2019.</p>
<p>17 Penrith City Council – BCA amendments to minimum door widths and hand rails That Local Government NSW seeks the following amendments to the Building Code of Australia (BCA):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An increase in the height requirements for handrails; and An increase to the minimum door widths from 820mm to 920mm. 	Consistent with Social and Community Fundamental Principles	Amended Strong and Inclusive Communities Position Statement to note position on accessibility in development	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Chair of the Australian Building Codes Board 	Response received from Neil Savery, Chief Executive, Australian Building Codes Board , 2 April 2019.
<p>18 Bega Valley Shire Council – Deemed refusals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> That Local Government NSW lobbies the Minister for Planning to seek more resources to assist councils to quickly determine development applications and therefore reduce the numbers of deemed refusals. DA applicant gives the council 3 weeks’ notice that it intends to refer decision to the Land and Environment Court. 	Consistent with Planning Fundamental Principles	Amended Planning and Local Decision Making Position Statement	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Anthony Roberts MP, Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister of State. <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Rob Stokes MP, newly appointed Minister for Planning and Public Spaces <p>LGNSW put forward a proposal in 2018 to then Minister for Planning, the Hon. Anthony Roberts, and had discussions with the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) about opportunities to respond to and alleviate planning skills shortages. In a meeting with the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, the Hon. Rob Stokes, in May 2019, the LGNSW President sought the Minister’s support for this proposal.</p>	<p>Response received from the Hon. Rob Stokes MP, Minister for Planning and Public Spaces on 1 October 2019. The Minister advises that “council can recoup administration costs from development application fees”.</p> <p>Response received from the Hon. Rob Stokes MP, Minister for Planning and Public Spaces in October 2019.</p>
<p>19 City of Parramatta – Court appeals of Planning Panel decisions That Local Government NSW advocates that the NSW Government work with NSW councils to address the legal costs associated with court appeals in the Land and Environment Court</p>	Consistent with Planning Fundamental Principles	Consistent with Planning and Local Decision Making Position Statement on IHAPs	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Anthony Roberts MP, Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister of State. <p>Letter resent to:</p>	Response received from the Hon. Rob Stokes MP, Minister for Planning and Public Spaces on 1 October 2019. The Minister advises that the matter falls within the portfolio of the Hon. Mark Speakman SC MP, Attorney General.

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when a State or Local Planning Panel did not resolve in line with a staff recommendation.			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Rob Stokes MP, newly appointed Minister for Planning and Public Spaces 	Response received from the Hon. Rob Stokes MP , Minister for Planning and Public Spaces in October 2019.
20 Tweed Shire Council – DA appeal rights That the NSW Government takes immediate action to amend the <i>Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979</i> to enable a provision for third party merit appeal rights in respect of all categories of development applications, particularly local developments.	Consistent with Planning Fundamental Principles	Added to existing dot point about the voice of local communities, under Planning & Local Decision-Making	Letter to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Anthony Roberts MP, Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister of State. Letter resent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Rob Stokes MP, newly appointed Minister for Planning and Public Spaces 	Response received from the Hon. Rob Stokes MP , Minister for Planning and Public Spaces in October 2019.
21 Board – Federal planning partner That Local Government NSW makes representations to the Federal Government to seek a commitment to working with local government as a partner from the outset in the development of planning policies relating to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The development of cities and regions; Infrastructure requirements, including those related to catering for the impact of population growth; and Telecommunications requirements, including the provision and location of mobile towers. <i>This issue was also raised by Cabonne and Randwick City Councils</i>	Consistent with Planning Fundamental Principles	Consistent with Planning and Local Decision Making Position Statement and Infrastructure Position Statement	Letters to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Alan Tudge MP, Federal Minister for Cities, Urban Infrastructure and Population The Hon. Michael McCormack MP, Federal Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development The Hon. Mitch Fifield MLC, Federal Minister for Communications Letter resent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Alan Tudge MP, Federal Minister for Cities, Urban Infrastructure and Population The Hon. Michael McCormack MP, Federal Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development LGNSW, along with other state associations is reviewing potential issues around Telstra's proposed rollout installation of new payphones with large digital advertising panels. Included as part of LGNSW's 12 Advocacy Priorities for 2019 .	Response received from Senator the Hon Mitch Fifield , Minister for Communications and the Arts, Manager of Government Business in the Senate, 28 March 2019. Response received from the Hon. Mark Coulton MP , Minister for Regional Services, Decentralisation and Local Government, Assistant Trade and Investment Minister on behalf of the Australian Government in September 2019.
22 Board – State planning partner That Local Government NSW makes representations to the NSW Government to seek a commitment to working with local government as a partner from the outset in the development of planning policies relating to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Legislative reforms; Community facility requirements, including those related to the provision of open space arising from major residential and commercial developments; Infrastructure requirements, including those related to the settlement of refugees and migrants; and Government land and property requirements, including early consultation in the disposal of government property. <i>This issue was also raised by Hornsby Shire, City of Parramatta, Shoalhaven City, and Fairfield City Councils</i>	Consistent with Planning Fundamental Principles	Consistent with Planning and Local Decision Making Position Statement and Infrastructure Position Statement	Letters to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Anthony Roberts MP, Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister of State The Hon. Andrew Constance MP, Minister for Transport and Infrastructure The Hon. Victor Dominello MP, Minister for Finance, Services and Property Letters resent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Rob Stokes MP, newly appointed Minister for Planning and Public Spaces The Hon. Victor Dominello MP, newly appointed Minister for Customer Service The Hon. Melinda Pavey MP, newly appointed Minister for Water, Property and Housing 	Partial win. Minister for Planning agreed to extend the deadline for Local Strategic Planning Statements by 3 months. Acknowledgement received from the Minister for Customer Service's office indicating the correspondence has been referred to Office of the Minister for Water, Property and Housing for review and response. Response received from the Hon. Rob Stokes MP, Minister for Planning and Public Spaces on 1 October 2019. Minister encourages continued dialogue to facilitate successful planning reforms. Response received from the Hon. Rob Stokes MP , Minister for Planning and Public Spaces in October 2019.
23 City of Canterbury Bankstown – Open space levy That this Conference call upon the NSW Government to introduce a metropolitan-wide open space levy on development for the purpose of funding investment in regional, district and local level open space and recreation areas.	Consistent with Planning Fundamental Principles	Consistent with Finance Position Statement	Letter to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Anthony Roberts MP, Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister of State Letter resent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Rob Stokes MP, newly appointed Minister for Planning and Public Spaces In a meeting with the Minister for planning in May 2019, the LGNSW President has sought to work with the Minister to develop policy directions and funding mechanisms that support the effective delivery of open space as a vital piece of infrastructure to support forecast population growth and higher densities.	Response received from the Hon. Rob Stokes MP, Minister for Planning and Public Spaces on 1 October 2019. The Minister outlines initiatives to deliver open space and parkland and to improve urban tree canopy. Response received from the Hon. Rob Stokes MP , Minister for Planning and Public Spaces in October 2019.
25 Camden Council – School off-street drop off and pick up zones Local Government NSW writes to and engages with the NSW Department of Planning, Minister for Education and Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight to develop a mandatory provision	Consistent with Social and Community Fundamental Principles	Added to new Health and Safety Position Statement	Letters to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Anthony Roberts MP, Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister of State 	Response received from Gareth Ward MP , Parliamentary Secretary for Education, NSW Government, 27 February 2019.

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that any new schools constructed in a local government area provide appropriately-sized off-street drop off and pick up zones.			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Melinda Pavey MP, Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight The Hon. Rob Stokes MP, Minister for Education Letters resent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Rob Stokes MP, newly appointed Minister for Planning and Public Spaces 	<p>Response received from Terry McSweeney - Principal Manager, Ministerial & Government Services On behalf of the former Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight 4 April 2019.</p> <p>Issue raised at the Australian College of Road Safety NSW Chapter Local Government Road Safety seminar 7 May 2019 with support from its membership for the proposal requested.</p> <p>Response received from the Hon. Rob Stokes MP, Minister for Planning and Public Spaces on 1 October 2019. The Minister advises the government has commenced a review of the Education and Child Care SEPP and is consulting relevant stakeholders.</p> <p>Response received from the Hon. Rob Stokes MP, Minister for Planning and Public Spaces in October 2019.</p>
26 Mosman Council – Improved parking signs That Local Government NSW continues to lobby the Roads and Maritime Services to identify the progress of the matter since the 2014 resolution and that Mosman Council to be nominated to become a pilot local government area for this initiative.	Resolution seeks an action	Resolution seeks an action	Letter to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Melinda Pavey MP, Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight 	Response received from Terry McSweeney - Principal Manager, Ministerial & Government Services On behalf of the former Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight 4 April 2019.
27 Gilgandra Shire Council – Inland rail consultation process That Local Government NSW make representations to Federal Government and the Australian Rail Track Corporation (ARTC) in relation to the Inland Rail issues such as transparency, accountability and the consultation process.	Resolution seeks an action	Resolution seeks an action	Letters to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Michael McCormack MP, Federal Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development Australian Rail Track Corporation Letter resent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Michael McCormack MP, Federal Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development 	<p>Response received from John Fullerton, Chief Executive Officer & Managing Director, Australian Rail Track Corporation, 4 April 2019. Cc. to Hon. Michael McCormack MP.</p> <p>Response received from the Hon. Mark Coultan MP, Minister for Regional Services, Decentralisation and Local Government, Assistant Trade and Investment Minister on behalf of the Australian Government in September 2019.</p>
28 Liverpool City Council – Train services That Local Government NSW contacts Transport NSW and advocates on behalf of councils for the following changes to the train timetables: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> More express services; More frequent and better quality services; and More services to new centres in growth and regional areas. 	Consistent with Social and Community Fundamental Principles	Consistent with Infrastructure and Planning Position Statements	Letters to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Andrew Constance MP, Minister for Transport and Infrastructure Transport NSW Letter resent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Andrew Constance MP, newly appointed Minister for Transport and Roads 	<p>The NSW Budget 2019-2020 has fast tracked the delivery of 17 additional Waratah 2 trains in response to growing demand across the network including Liverpool.</p> <p>Response received from Transport for NSW on 28 June 2019.</p>
29 Greater Hume Shire Council – Funding for first/last mile road projects That Local Government NSW lobbies the Federal and State Governments for additional recurrent funding for the improvement and enhancement of first/last mile roads.	Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principle	Consistent with Finance and Infrastructure Position Statements	Letters to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP, Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations The Hon. Melinda Pavey MP, Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight The Hon. Michael McCormack MP, Federal Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development Letters resent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Andrew Constance MP, newly appointed Minister for Transport and Roads The Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP, Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations The Hon. Michael McCormack MP, Federal Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development 	<p>Response received from Terry McSweeney - Principal Manager, Ministerial & Government Services On behalf of the former Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight 4 April 2019.</p> <p>LGNSW met with the Hon. Paul Toole MP, Minister for Regional Roads and Transport on 4 June 2019 and raised the issue of relaxing the criteria for the new \$500 million Fixing Local Roads and \$500 Fixing Country Bridges programs to help address first and last mile issues. We note that the NSW Budget 2019-2020 has allocated \$25 million to each program with applications commencing later in 2019.</p> <p>Response received from the Hon. Mark Coultan MP, Minister for Regional Services, Decentralisation and Local Government, Assistant Trade and Investment Minister on behalf of the Australian Government in September 2019.</p>
30 Moree Plains Shire Council – Cost-benefit ratios and rural/regional roads That Local Government NSW makes representation to the Treasurer of NSW, the Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP, to instigate a review of Treasury's <i>NSW Government Guide to Cost-Benefit Analysis</i> guidelines as they apply to regional NSW road and other transport projects. In particular, that the Government consider the following factors in determining the value of projects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The benefits to primary sector productivity of areas of high production so that these benefits can be considered as part of transport project justification; 	Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principle	Consistent with Finance and Infrastructure Position Statements	Letter to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP, Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations Letter resent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP, Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations 	<p>Response received from Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer, the Hon. Scott Farlow MLC, Leader of the House in the Legislative Council on 11 September 2019.</p> <p>Government reviewing many of its funding programs such as Restart Programs in light of concerns.</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> the achievement of social equalisation between rural and urban communities (access to education, health and wellbeing, emergency services and general social connectivity); and recognition of the additional costs that arise from reactive soil types both for construction and long-term maintenance. 				
<p>31 Gunnedah Shire Council – Aviation That Local Government NSW lobbies the Commonwealth Government to consider:</p> <p>a. increasing the availability of slots for regional air services into Kingsford Smith International Airport;</p> <p>b. reserving the availability of underutilised slots at Kingsford Smith International Airport incurred as a result of the current pilot shortage;</p> <p>c. investigating an assistance package to increase available pilot numbers for airlines servicing regional airports; and</p> <p>d. investigating the significant decline in the civil aviation industry, including pilot training and the current shortage of Australian trained pilots with the aim to put in place appropriate measures to revitalise all sectors of the civil aviation industry.</p>	Consistent with Social and Community Fundamental Principle	Added to Services in Rural Communities Position Statement	Letters to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Alan Tudge MP, Federal Minister for Cities, Urban Infrastructure and Population The Hon. Michael McCormack MP, Federal Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development 	Response received from the Hon. Mark Coulton MP , Minister for Regional Services, Decentralisation and Local Government, Assistant Trade and Investment Minister on behalf of the Australian Government in September 2019.
<p>32 Liverpool City Council – River highways That LGNSW advocates on councils' behalf for State and Federal Government support for serious consideration of the economic, social and environmental costs and benefits of river highways across the state.</p>	Consistent with Social and Community Fundamental Principle	Consistent with Infrastructure Position Statement	Letters to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Andrew Constance MP, Minister for Transport and Infrastructure The Hon. Alan Tudge MP, Federal Minister for Cities, Urban Infrastructure and Population 	
<p>33 Tenterfield Shire Council – Timber bridge funding That Local Government NSW lobbies the NSW Government to modify the present application process for infrastructure grants in favour of direct grants to councils using a similar formula to the Federal Government Assistance Grants (FAGs).</p>	Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principle (A)	Consistent with Infrastructure Position Statement	Letter to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Melinda Pavey MP, Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight 	Response received from Terry McSweeney - Principal Manager, Ministerial & Government Services On behalf of the former Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight 4 April 2019. Met with the Hon. Paul Toole MP, Minister for Regional Roads and Transport 4 June 2019 and raised the issue of bridge funding and grant applications processes and criteria. Requested that grant criteria be developed in a way to benefit as wide a range of communities as possible.
<p>34 Albury City Council – Impact of river levels on tourism That Local Government NSW makes representations to the Murray Darling Basin Authority requesting it:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> take into account how river levels impact on Basin communities during peak tourism periods, including but not limited to Christmas and school holidays, Australia Day and Easter; and in consultation with environmental water holders, regulate river flows to the greatest extent possible to ensure positive social, economic and environmental outcomes are achieved. 	Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principle (A)	Added to new drought Position Statement	Letter to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Murray Darling Basin Authority 	
<p>35 Blacktown City Council – Stormwater levy – indexation of revenue That Local Government NSW lobbies the NSW Government to amend the regulations regarding stormwater management services, to provide indexation of revenue raised from a stormwater levy in line with the rate peg.</p>	Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principle (A)	Consistent with Infrastructure Policy Statement	Letter to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage Letter resent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, newly appointed Minister for Local Government Advocated through LGNSW's 2019-2020 State Budget – NSW Local Government Priorities submission.	Response received from the Hon. Shelley Hancock MP , Minister for Local Government on 1 August 2019.
<p>36 Edward River Council – Murray Darling Basin Plan - dilution flows That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to thoroughly investigate the current requirements for the volume of dilutions flows which are held in storage, and work with other States to reduce the storage volumes of water held for future dilution flows.</p>	Consistent with Infrastructure Fundamental Principle	Added to new Drought Position Statement	Letter to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Niall Blair MLC, Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, and Minister for Trade and Industry Letter resent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Melinda Pavey MP, newly appointed Minister for Water, Property and Housing 	
<p>37 Hornsby Shire Council – Sydney Water sewage system licences That Local Government NSW calls upon the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) to improve its sewerage system licenses by applying a continuous improvement standard where</p>	Consistent with Environment Fundamental Principle	Consistent with Biodiversity Position Statement and Sustainability Position Statement	Letter to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage Letter resent to:	

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periodically the levels of pollutants allowed to be discharged by sewage treatment plants and their reticulation systems is reduced over time.			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Matt Kean MP, newly appointed Minister for Energy and Environment 	
38 Randwick City Council – Undergrounding of power lines That Local Government NSW attempts to bring down the prohibitive cost of undergrounding power lines by lobbying the NSW Government to amend the <i>Electricity Network Assets (Authorised Transactions) Act 2015</i> to end the monopoly that Ausgrid has as a result of the regulatory and legislative framework in undertaking these works.	Consistent with Infrastructure Fundamental Principle	Added to Infrastructure Position Statement	Letter to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Don Harwin MLC, Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, and Minister for the Arts Letter resent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Matt Kean MP, newly appointed Minister for Energy and Environment 	
39 Wagga Wagga City Council – Use of Snowy Hydro sale proceeds That the NSW Government allocate some of the proceeds from the sale of Snowy Hydro towards the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding towards infrastructure backlog projects that aren't aligned with grant funding opportunities to assist councils with upgrading and maintaining critical assets such as roads and bridges. The establishment of an engineering scholarship program to help address a shortage of qualified engineers, particularly in regional areas. 	Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principle (A)	Consistent with Finance and Infrastructure Position Statements	Letter to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP, Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations Letter resent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP, Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations Advocated through LGNSW's 2019-2020 State Budget – NSW Local Government Priorities submission.	
40 Albury City Council – Southern Lights Project That Local Government NSW request that, as a matter of urgency, the NSW Government support and fund the Southern Lights Project which includes the conversion of street lighting in non-metropolitan NSW to state-of-the-art LED lighting fitted with smart control technology.	Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principle (A)	Added to Infrastructure Position Statement	Letter to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Don Harwin MLC, Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, and Minister for the Arts Letter resent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Matt Kean MP, newly appointed Minister for Energy and Environment Advocated through LGNSW's 2019-2020 State Budget – NSW Local Government Priorities submission.	
41 Tweed Shire Council – Natural disasters That Local Government NSW: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requests the NSW Government to recognise the significant environmental damage caused by natural disasters, such as the March 2017 event on the Far North Coast which caused significant riverbank erosion, landslips and weed intrusion post the event, and allocates funding in addition to the National Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements to ensure that the natural environment is also rehabilitated to restore functioning of critical or important eco systems. Advocates to Federal and State Government to streamline NDRRA in order to facilitate faster payments of funding so that impacted councils can meet community expectations to recover in a reasonable time frame. 	Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principle (A)	New Natural Disasters and Emergency Management Position Statement	Letter to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Troy Grant MP, Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services Letter resent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. David Elliott MP, newly appointed Minister for Police and Emergency Services 	Response received from the Hon. David Elliott MP , Minister for Police and Emergency Services on 30 July 2019.
42 Board – Waste levy distribution That the NSW Government be called upon to ensure that 100% of the levy arising from Section 88 of the <i>Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997</i> be used for waste infrastructure and programs, predominantly by local government and the waste sector, for initiatives such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development of regional and region-specific solutions for sustainable waste management (e.g. soft plastic recycling facilities, green waste, waste to energy). Support innovative solutions to reduce waste and waste transport requirements. Protect existing and identify new waste management locations. Local community waste recovery and repair facilities. Funding a wider range of sustainability initiatives, such as; waste to energy, marketing and strategies, that promote and support a circular economy. <i>This issue was also raised by Blacktown City, Central Coast, Cessnock City, City of Ryde, Federation, Gwydir Shire, Hornsby Shire, Leeton Shire, and Shoalhaven Shire Councils</i>	Consistent with Infrastructure Fundamental Principle and Environment Fundamental Principle	New Waste and Resource Recovery Position Statement	Letter to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage Letter resent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Matt Kean MP, newly appointed Minister for Energy and Environment Included as part of LGNSW's 12 Advocacy Priorities for 2019 Representations made at meeting with Minister Kean's office, June 2019. Raised with EPA at quarterly liaison meeting.	LGNSW ran a successful Save Our Recycling Campaign in response to motions such as this on the waste levy. The campaign, in full swing up until the election, resulted in bipartisan support for a state-wide plan, with different levels of commitment for use of the levy. Whilst the current government's level of reinvestment of the levy remains the same, they have committed to work in partnership with local government to develop a 20 year waste strategy by 2020 to deliver recycling and waste management infrastructure. LGNSW will continue to advocate for 100% reinvestment of the levy in a coordinated state wide recycling and waste management approach and drive a circular economy.

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<p>43 Tweed Shire Council – Recycled products and procurement That Local Government NSW:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. works with the State and Commonwealth Governments to establish mandatory components of recycled products such as glass bottles and concrete. ii. lobbies State and Commonwealth Governments to work with local government and that all three tiers of Government adopt procurement guidelines and purchasing policies that foster market development for recycled products. <p><i>This issue was also raised by Lake Macquarie City Council</i></p>	Consistent with Environment Fundamental Principle	New Waste and Resource Recovery Position Statement	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hon. Matt Kean MP, newly appointed Minister for Energy and Environment <p>Representations made at meeting with Minister Kean's office, June 2019.</p>	RMS has revised their specifications to increase recycled crush glass content in asphalt.
<p>44 Bayside Council – Illegal waste dumping That Local Government NSW lobbies the NSW Government to make changes to the <i>Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997</i> to enable local government to issue fines and penalty amounts equivalent to the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) for illegal dumping. The current applicable penalties/fines, set at the current rates, do <u>not</u> discourage nor prevent rogue operators from illegally dumping larger quantities of material throughout local government areas. New penalties/fines should be identical whether issued by local government or the NSW EPA.</p>	Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principle (A)	Consistent with Sustainability Position Statement	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hon. Matt Kean MP, newly appointed Minister for Energy and Environment <p>Raised with EPA at quarterly liaison meeting. Raised as part of EPA's Illegal Dumping Social Research.</p>	
<p>45 Orange City Council – Waste management That Local Government NSW places the highest priority over the next 12 months on working with the NSW and Australian Governments to progress development of sustainable, long-term solutions to the current recycling crisis which aim to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • give certainty to local councils; • limit the financial impact on ratepayers; and • create economically and environmentally sustainable industries based on recycling our waste in Australia. 	Consistent with Environment Fundamental Principle	New Waste and Resource Recovery Position Statement	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hon. Matt Kean MP, newly appointed Minister for Energy and Environment <p>Raised with EPA at quarterly liaison meeting.</p>	
<p>46 Lake Macquarie City Council – Reusable, recyclable or compostable packaging Call on the NSW Government to publish a plan to implement the Council of Australian Government's target that 100% of Australian packaging be recyclable, compostable or reusable by 2025 or earlier.</p>	Consistent with Environment Fundamental Principle	New Waste and Resource Recovery Position Statement	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hon. Matt Kean MP, newly appointed Minister for Energy and Environment <p>Raised with EPA at quarterly liaison meeting Raised with ALGA as part of National Waste Policy and Action Plan feedback.</p>	
<p>47 Bourke Shire Council – Disposal of syringes and other sharps That the NSW Ministry of Health be asked to:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reinstate the Community Sharps Program to assist in the provision of funding to purchase sharps bins/containers, signage and to assist to raise awareness of the dangers of incorrect disposal of needles and other sharps. The cost of collecting and managing sharps that are indiscriminately disposed of in towns across NSW is yet another burden that councils have to carry. • Work with sharps manufacturers and suppliers to introduce a producer responsibility approach for sharps, whereby the industry assists with the costs of managing their products. 	Consistent with Environment Fundamental Principle	New Waste and Resource Recovery Position Statement	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hon. Brad Hazzard MP, Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research <p>Advocated through LGNSW's 2019-2020 State Budget – NSW Local Government Priorities submission.</p>	Response received from the Hon. Brad Hazzard MP , Minister for Health and Medical Research on 15 August 2019.
<p>48 Coffs Harbour City Council – Landcare funding That Local Government NSW:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Writes to the NSW Minister for Primary Industries and to the Federal Minister for Environment and Energy and to the Federal Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources to seek reinstatement of funding streams available for Landcare. 	Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principle (A) and Environment Fundamental Principle	Amended Biodiversity Position Statement	<p>Letters to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hon. Niall Blair MLC, Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, and Minister for Trade and Industry • The Hon. Melissa Price MP, Federal Minister for the Environment • The Hon. David Littleproud MP, Federal Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources • Nature Conservation Council 	<p>Response received from Senator the Hon. Bridget McKenzie MP, Federal Minister for Agriculture on 27 August 2019.</p> <p>Response received from the Hon. Sussan Ley MP, Federal Minister for the Environment on 21 August 2019.</p>

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<p>2. Recognises that reduction in Landcare funding represents a cost shift to councils.</p>			<p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Sussan Ley MP, newly appointed Federal Minister for the Environment Senator the Hon. Bridget McKenzie, newly appointed Federal Minister for Agriculture The Hon. Adam Marshall MP, newly appointed Minister for Agriculture and Western NSW <p>Advocated through LGNSW's 2019-2020 State Budget – NSW Local Government Priorities submission which includes a request for an additional \$20million for Landcare.</p>	<p>The NSW State Budget 2019/2020 included \$5.4 million (\$22.4 million over four years) to expand the Local Landcare Coordinator Initiative.</p> <p>The Australian Government outlined their National Landcare Program Regional Land Partnerships program which will invest \$450million over five years in environmental and sustainable agricultural projects. At least 20% of the project budget is committed to supporting small, on-ground projects and activities engaging with local Landcare communities.</p> <p>Response received from the Minister for Agriculture, the Hon. Adam Marshall MP who notes the NSW Government commitment of \$3 million towards NSW Landcare program community practice initiatives.</p>
<p>49 Gilgandra Shire Council – Diversion of overland water flow That Local Government NSW lobbies the NSW Government to review the impact of farming practices and soil conservation methods which are resulting in the diversion of overland water flows, creating adverse impacts on local roads and adjoining properties. Further, affected landholders should be supported by NSW Government advisory and support services to assist in addressing these impacts.</p>	<p>Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principle (A) and Environment Fundamental Principle</p>	<p>The need for landholder support has been added to the existing Services in Rural Communities Position Statement which includes 'increased funding for rural communities' which speaks to the motion's call for service/support in addressing impacts</p>	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Niall Blair MLC, Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, and Minister for Trade and Industry <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Adam Marshall MP, newly appointed Minister for Agriculture and Western NSW 	<p>No direct response from Minister Blair yet received by LGNSW, however we understand that the Department's advice is that regulatory responsibility for land use changes/works rests with councils unless the works are on a designated floodplain.</p>
<p>50 Lake Macquarie City Council – Vegetation protection That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW government to review current legislative arrangements and support available to local government for regulating vegetation in urban and environmental areas, and to consider preparing a Vegetation Act in consultation with local government to support this policy priority.</p>	<p>Consistent with Environment Fundamental Principle</p>	<p>Consistent with Biodiversity Position Statement</p>	<p>Letters to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage Nature Conservation Council <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Matt Kean MP, newly appointed Minister for Energy and Environment <p>Representations made at meeting with Minister Kean's office, June 2019.</p>	
<p>51 Albury City Council – Management of cats That Local Government NSW requests the NSW Government to review the provisions for cat management and control under the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i>, the <i>Companion Animals Act 1998</i> and associated Regulations including enabling councils to effectively manage the nuisance effects of cats on residents and wildlife. Further, the government look at ways of streamlining the process of animal registration. <i>This issue was also raised by Wollondilly Shire Council</i></p>	<p>Consistent with Environment Fundamental Principle</p>	<p>Amended existing Biosecurity Position Statement which refers to Companion Animals.</p>	<p>Letters to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage Nature Conservation Council <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, newly appointed Minister for Local Government 	<p>Acknowledgement received from the Minister for Local Government's office indicating the correspondence will be assessed and a response provided later.</p> <p>Response received from the Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, Minister for Local Government on 1 August 2019. Minister notes the Government has recently passed laws to strengthen incentives to owners to identify, register and de-sex cats (eg annual permits, penalty increases). Information such as <i>Good Neighbour</i> resources, are also being provided to councils and owners to encourage cat confinement.</p>
<p>52 Randwick City Council – Electromagnetic Energy Reference Group That Local Government NSW: 1. Notes that the Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA) has established an Electromagnetic Energy Reference Group (EMERG) to enable input from the community and other stakeholders on issues relating to electromagnetic energy (EME) and health. 2. Writes to ARPANSA requesting that the ARPANSA seek nominations from councils to be on the EMERG to advocate for local issues relating to EME and human health.</p>	<p>Consistent with Environment Fundamental Principle</p>	<p>Resolution seeks an action</p>	<p>Letter to Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA).</p>	<p>Response received from Nathan Wahl – Assistant Director, Government and Internal Relations, Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA) 1 May 2019. ARPANSA is currently reviewing the operations of EMERG, and as such a formal response to this resolution will be delayed until the conclusion of this process. See IN-57846.</p>
<p>53 Warrumbungle Shire Council – Notification of building fires to council That a formal written notification procedure be developed whereby emergency services are required to inform the local council authority within two days when a building fire occurs within their local government area.</p>	<p>Consistent with Environment Fundamental Principle (Precautionary principle – prevent environmental degradation and manage and mitigate risk)</p>	<p>Consistent with Sustainability Position Statement</p>	<p>Letters to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage (OUT-28558) The Hon. Troy Grant MP, Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services (OUT-28583) <p>Letters resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. David Elliott MP, newly appointed Minister for Police and Emergency Services The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, newly appointed Minister for Local Government 	<p>Response received from the Hon. David Elliott MP, Minister for Police and Emergency Services on 30 July 2019. Minister states that there is no requirement under legislation for FRNSW to report to councils.</p>

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<p>54 City of Parramatta – Costs of domestic asbestos waste disposal That:</p> <p>(i) Local Government NSW, and its member Councils, acknowledge the significant risks to the environment and human health by asbestos in all its forms, and acknowledge that these risks make asbestos and products containing it unsuitable for recycling.</p> <p>(ii) Local Government NSW and its member Councils acknowledge that the costs of removing and safely disposing of asbestos waste are prohibitive for the average resident.</p> <p>(iii) That member Councils reaffirm their support for previous motions seeking the removal of the waste levy for the disposal of asbestos containing materials.</p> <p>(iv) Further that, in acknowledgement of the risks and challenges associated with asbestos, Local Government NSW advocates to the NSW Government seeking:</p> <p>(a) Removal of the s88 (PoEO Act) Waste Levy for domestic asbestos waste, and</p> <p>(b) Enabling the disposal of domestic asbestos containing materials (i.e. the tipping fee – but not the costs of removal and/or transporting) free of charge, with this disposal funded/subsidised from the s88 Levy on other – non asbestos waste types.</p>	Consistent with Environment Fundamental Principle (Precautionary principle – prevent environmental degradation and manage and mitigate risk)	Added to new Health and Safety Position Statement	<p>Letters to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage (OUT-28558) <p>Letters resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, newly appointed Minister for Local Government The Hon. Matt Kean MP, newly appointed Minister for Energy and Environment <p>Raised with EPA at quarterly liaison meeting.</p>	
<p>55 Lane Cove, Hornsby Shire, and Hunters Hill Councils – Review of the 10/50 Vegetation Clearing Scheme That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to undertake a formal review of the 10/50 Vegetation Clearing Scheme including:</p> <p>i. an assessment of the effectiveness of the entitlement areas in reducing bushfire hazard to people and property;</p> <p>ii. an assessment of the impacts of the introduction of the 10/50 Vegetation Clearing Code on tree canopy cover in entitlement areas;</p> <p>iii. an appraisal of reducing the entitlement area noting the implications of reduced canopy cover; and</p> <p>iv. Any unintended/unforeseen consequences on vegetation resulting from the introduction of the scheme.</p>	Consistent with Environment Fundamental Principle	Added to the Biodiversity Position Statement.	<p>Letters to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Troy Grant MP, Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services Nature Conservation Council <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. David Elliott MP, newly appointed Minister for Police and Emergency Services <p>Advocated through LGNSW's 2019-2020 State Budget – NSW Local Government Priorities submission.</p>	<p>Response received from the Hon. David Elliott MP, Minister for Police and Emergency Services on 30 July 2019.</p> <p>The NSW Government has no further plans to review 10/50 after their legislative amendments in 2016. LGNSW has been invited to participate on the 10/50 interagency consultative committee.</p> <p>Cr Philip Ruddock, Mayor of Hornsby Shire Council will represent LGNSW on the 10/50 Committee with Cr Janelle McIntosh acting as his alternate.</p>
<p>56 Cabonne Council – Right to farm That Local Government NSW lobbies the NSW Government for legislation to ensure food security and sustainability for future generations, including introduction of legislation to protect the 'right to farm'. <i>This issue was also raised by Tweed Shire Council</i></p>	Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principle (B) – LG promotes local & regional econ development and employment growth and Environment Fundamental Principle	Added to Planning and Local Decision Making Position Statement.	<p>Letters to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Anthony Roberts MP, Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister of State The Hon. Niall Blair MLC, Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, and Minister for Trade and Industry <p>Letters resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Rob Stokes MP, newly appointed Minister for Planning and Public Spaces The Hon. Adam Marshall MP, newly appointed Minister for Agriculture and Western NSW 	<p>On 20 August 2019 the Hon. Adam Marshall MP gave notice of intent to introduce a Right to Farm Bill 2019, which focuses on trespass and recognition of a farmer's right to farm.</p> <p>Response received from the Hon. Rob Stokes MP, Minister for Planning and Public Spaces in October 2019.</p> <p>Response received from the Minister for Agriculture, the Hon. Adam Marshall MP noting intent to establish a NSW Agriculture Commissioner to "drive key issues within Government including farm trespass and land use conflict, and will work alongside planning authorities to advocate for strengthened planning frameworks including compiling a list of legislative amendments to further support the right to farm".</p>
<p>57 Narrandera Shire Council – Biosecurity That Local Government NSW lobbies the NSW Government for increased funding for the implementation of the <i>Biosecurity Act 2015</i> and encourage all member councils to develop and implement policies that facilitate achievement of the objectives of the Act and the Regional Strategies.</p>	Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principle (A) – LG must be fairly funded to meet service responsibilities and Environment Fundamental Principle	Consistent with Biosecurity Position Statement.	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Matt Kean MP, newly appointed Minister for Energy and Environment <p>Advocated through LGNSW's 2019-2020 State Budget – NSW Local Government Priorities submission which seeks additional funding for weed and biosecurity management.</p>	
<p>59 Board – Climate change That the NSW Government be called upon to deliver on their climate change policy framework and develop programs with</p>	Consistent with Environment Fundamental Principle	Added to Climate Change Position Statement	<p>Letters to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage 	

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<p>tangible outcomes to meet the aspirational long-term objectives of achieving net-zero emission by 2050 and a community more resilient to a changing climate. This includes initiatives to:</p> <p>a) Update State Environmental Planning Policies to achieve improvements in liveability and sustainability of housing to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ensure developments and precincts include measures to alleviate the urban heat island effect. - apply higher Building Sustainability Index (BASIX) targets and include other sustainability outcomes. - enable innovative approaches to community and public transport. - improve provisions to ensure the resilience of housing stock. <p>b) Provide greater support to local government for coastal management especially in areas experiencing erosion exacerbated by state and federal infrastructure e.g. airports, ports and breakwaters.</p> <p>c) Set a renewable energy target of 40% by 2025 to support investment and market confidence in renewable energy projects.</p> <p>d) Support the community and business build resilience to current and future climate risks.</p> <p><i>This issue was also raised by Albury City, Bayside, Bellingen Shire, Orange City, Shoalhaven City, Hornsby Shire, and Wollondilly Shire Councils</i></p>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hon. Matt Kean MP, Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation • Nature Conservation Council <p>Letters resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hon. Matt Kean MP, newly appointed Minister for Energy and Environment • Minister Anderson, newly appointed Minister for Better Regulation & Innovation 	
<p>60 Board – Libraries That this Conference:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acknowledges, following the 2017 Conference resolution, the partnership between LGNSW and NSW Public Libraries (NSWPLA) that has led to the launch of "Renew our Libraries" during Local Government Week on 1 August 2018; • Acknowledges the positive support of local councils and their communities across NSW for Renew our Libraries and affirms our commitment to ongoing advocacy to increase NSW Government funding to Council-run public libraries; • Expresses its disappointment and dismay that the NSW Government cut funding to public libraries in the 2018-2019 budget; and • Calls on all political parties in the State parliament in the lead up to the State Election to commit to urgently doubling the funding to public libraries and to creating a sustainable funding model to build the libraries of the future. <p><i>This issue was also raised by Blue Mountains City, Gunnedah Shire, Lane Cove, Leeton Shire, Tamworth Regional, Warren Shire, and Wingecarribee Shire Councils</i></p>	Consistent with Social and Community Fundamental Principle	Added to Libraries, Arts and Culture Position Statement	<p>Letters to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hon. Gladys Berejiklian MP, Premier • The Hon. Don Harwin MLC, Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, and Minister for the Arts <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hon. Don Harwin MLC, newly appointed Special Minister of State, Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts <p>LGNSW partnered with the NSW Public Libraries Association for the Renew Our Libraries initiative, bringing together councils, public libraries and their supporters into a grassroots effort to demand action and funding commitments from all political parties in the lead up to the 2019 NSW State Election.</p> <p>In response to the campaign the NSW Government has committed to providing more than \$60m in additional funding over four years. LGNSW is now working to ensure that this increase is reflected in the 2019/20 State Budget for the benefit of councils and their communities.</p> <p>Included as part of LGNSW's 12 Advocacy Priorities for 2019.</p>	<p>Response received from Parliamentary Secretary to Premier Jonathan O'Dea 13 March on behalf of Premier Berejiklian.</p> <p>The NSW Government has committed to more than \$60m in additional funding over 4 years following our 'Renew Our Libraries' campaign.</p>
<p>61 Lane Cove Council – Statewide library management system for all NSW councils That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to investigate development and introduction of a Statewide library management system to provide communities throughout NSW greater access to larger collections and library resources and materials.</p>	Consistent with Social and Community Fundamental Principle	Consistent with Libraries, Arts and Culture Position Statement	<p>Letters to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hon. Matt Kean MP, Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation • The Hon. Don Harwin MLC, Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, and Minister for the Arts <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hon. Don Harwin MLC, newly appointed Special Minister of State, Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts <p>This matter was formally raised with the NSWPLA at the Public Libraries Consultative Committee in December 2018.</p>	
<p>63 Carrathool Shire Council – Resources for rural crime officers That Local Government NSW lobbies the NSW Government to allocate more resources for increased police numbers particularly rural crime officers in Western NSW Southern Region (Murrumbidgee Police District) to address concerns over community safety, rural thefts, vandalism problems with unacceptable response times on many occasions.</p>	Consistent with Social and Community Fundamental Principle	Consistent with Services in Rural Communities Position Statement	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hon. Troy Grant MP, Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hon. David Elliott MP, newly appointed Minister for Police and Emergency Services 	<p>The NSW State Budget 2019/20 included \$288.2 million over four years to support the re-engineering of the NSW Police Force and provide the Police Commissioner with the flexibility to deploy resources according to need, and effectively address and respond to crime. It also includes funding for 50 additional NSW Police Force highway patrol officers for regional New South Wales.</p>

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<i>This issue was also raised by Narrandera Shire Council</i>			Advocated through LGNSW's 2019-2020 State Budget – NSW Local Government Priorities submission.	Response received from the Hon. David Elliott MP , Minister for Police and Emergency Services on 30 July 2019. He states that in February 2019, that an additional 18 rural crime investigators were announced to be deployed across regional NSW. The locations of the additional positions have yet to be finalised.
<p>64 Lane Cove Council – Review of arts and cultural policy regions</p> <p>That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to review the impacts of the current model of grouping of local government areas into only three distinct regions in the State Government's arts and cultural policy framework and the resulting impact on associated funding priorities. The review to consider and identify:</p> <p>(i) any recommendations as to how NSW Government arts and cultural funding can be allocated to better meet and reflect the needs of local communities;</p> <p>(ii) should gaps be identified, funding levels to be increased rather than redistributed; and</p> <p>(iii) recommendations on how arts and cultural life be incorporated into liveability indicators in place-making and local strategic planning with appropriate Government funding to better support local and district based arts and cultural infrastructure and initiatives. Also how to enhance seeding grants to energise the creative sector at the local level to deliver social and economic benefits.</p>	Consistent with Social and Community Fundamental Principle	Resolution seeks an action, which is a letter seeking the NSW Government to undertake a review Consistent with Libraries, Arts and Culture Position Statement	Letter to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Don Harwin MLC, Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, and Minister for the Arts Letter resent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Don Harwin MLC, newly appointed Special Minister of State, Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts Advocated through LGNSW's 2019-2020 State Budget – NSW Local Government Priorities submission	<p>The NSW Government released their Cultural Infrastructure Plan 2025 in the first quarter of 2019. It includes reference to the critical role of local government in planning for arts and culture. The Plan provides the framework and priorities for investing in arts and culture infrastructure across NSW.</p> <p>The NSW State Budget 2019/20 included \$61.3 million (\$247.4 million over four years) for Arts and Cultural Development Program grants to support arts and cultural organisations, artists and workers. It also includes \$28.9 million (\$60.5 million over two years) from the Regional Cultural Fund to support the development of arts and cultural activities in the State's regions.</p>
<p>65 Lane Cove Council – Housing for seniors or people with a disability SEPP</p> <p>That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to review the Housing for Seniors or People with a Disability SEPP which is now 14 years old, in particular to remove inconsistencies with other planning instruments, definitions and requirements as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zoning and site compatibility requirements for locating the developments. The definition of what is included in the calculation of Gross Floor Area, which is inconsistent with the standard instrument Local Environmental Plan. The need for design and amenity standards consistent with the Apartment Design Guide. The operation and ownership of the Affordable Housing Bonus component. 	Consistent with Social and Community Fundamental Principle and Planning Fundamental Principles	Resolution seeks an action - calls for a NSW Government review of a SEPP Consistent with Strong and Inclusive Communities Position Statement Added to Planning Position Statement	Letter to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Anthony Roberts MP, Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister of State Letter resent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Melinda Pavey MP, newly appointed Minister for Water, Property and Housing 	Response received from the Hon. Rob Stokes MP , Minister for Planning and Public Spaces in October 2019.
<p>66 Wagga Wagga City Council – Adult lift and change facilities</p> <p>That Local Government NSW lobbies the NSW Government to consider providing lift and change facilities at roadside rest stops at regular intervals along the major highways (under Roads and Maritime Services responsibility).</p>	Consistent with Social and Community Fundamental Principle	Consistent with Strong and Inclusive Communities Position Statement	Letter to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Melinda Pavey MP, Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight Letters also sent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gareth Ward MP, newly appointed Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services Advocated through LGNSW's 2019-2020 State Budget – NSW Local Government Priorities submission	<p>Response received from Terry McSweeney - Principal Manager, Ministerial & Government Services On behalf of the former Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight 4 April 2019.</p> <p>Response received from the Hon. Gareth Ward MP, Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services advising representations have been made to the Hon. Andrew Constance MP, Minister for Transport and Roads on our behalf.</p> <p>The Department of Family and Community Services has advised that no further funding is available at present, but applications will be looked at favourably under future rounds of the NSW Government's Community Building Partnership grants program.</p> <p>Response received from the Hon. Paul Toole MP, Minister for Regional Transport and Roads on behalf of the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services on 4 October 2019.</p>
<p>67 Hay Shire Council – Health in rural areas</p> <p>That Local Government NSW calls for the NSW Minister for Health to:</p> <p>1. Urgently form a joint task force representing local, State and Federal spheres of government, to formulate model financial</p>	Consistent with Social and Community Fundamental Principle	Consistent with Services in Rural Communities Position Statement	Letters to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Brad Hazzard MP, Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research The Hon. Greg Hunt MP, Federal Minister for Health Letter resent to:	Response received from Chris Jeacle, Assistant Secretary, Health Workforce Division, on behalf of The Hon. Greg Hunt MP – Minister for Health, Department of Health , 21 March 2019.

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<p>packages for the engagement of doctors in rural towns, and contribute to those financial packages.</p> <p>2. Advocate to the Federal Health Minister to ensure that safeguards are in place to prevent GP practices from appropriating patients' medical records and making a profit out of transferring them to incoming practitioners, and to advise councils on best practice legal agreements to secure the services needed and secure the patients' records. A similar motion was passed by a large majority by the National General Assembly calling on the Federal Health Minister.</p> <p><i>This issue was also raised by Gunnedah Shire Council</i></p>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Brad Hazzard MP, Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research <p>In partnership with Temora Shire Council, LGNSW hosted a summit for Temora and neighbouring councils on 8 May to discuss opportunities and ideas to attract health services to rural towns.</p> <p>Presentation to CENTROC meeting on 29 May from LGNSW President Scott, identifying this resolution and issues.</p> <p>Advocated through LGNSW's 2019-2020 State Budget – NSW Local Government Priorities submission.</p> <p>Raised with the NSW Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women at meeting on 16 July 2019.</p>	<p>The NSW State Budget 2019/2020 included a commitment of \$2.8 billion to recruit a total of 8,300 frontline health staff, over four years, with 45 per cent located in regional NSW.</p> <p>Response received from the Hon. Brad Hazzard MP, Minister for Health and Medical Research on 15 August 2019.</p>
<p>68 Willoughby City Council – Support the Uluru Statement That Local Government NSW:</p> <p>1. Acknowledges the significance of the Statement of the Heart as an important piece of political writing and gathering of our First Nations' Peoples. The elements of the Statement included a First Nations Voice to speak to Parliament, the establishment of a Makarrata Commission which would oversee truth telling and lay the foundation for a Treaty between Federal and State Governments and First Nation people.</p> <p>2. Reviews its Aboriginal Affairs policy positions in consultation with its members upon release of the Parliament Joint Select Committee on Constitutional Recognition relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples final report due 29 November 2018.</p> <p><i>This issue was also raised by the City of Ryde</i></p>	Consistent with Social and Community Fundamental Principle	Consistent with Aboriginal Constitutional Recognition Position Statement	<p>The final report from the Parliament Joint Select Committee on Constitutional Recognition relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples was released on 29 November 2018.</p> <p>In June 2019, LGNSW revised the Aboriginal Constitutional Recognition Position Statement, and consulted with members on a draft revision in May 2019.</p>	
<p>69 City of Ryde – Employment opportunities for persons of ATSI backgrounds That this Conference advocates to the Premier of NSW, the Hon. Gladys Berejiklian MP and the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, the Hon. Sarah Mitchell MLC to amend Section 345 of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i>, relating to the 'Preparation and Implementation of EEO Management Plans', to include an additional subclause as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An Equal Employment Opportunity Management Plan is to include provisions for targeted programs to increase the employment opportunities for persons of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander backgrounds. 	Consistent with Social and Community Fundamental Principle	Added to Strong and Inclusive Communities Position Statement	<p>Letters to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage The Hon. Gladys Berejiklian MP, Premier The Hon. Sarah Mitchell MLC, Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, & Assistant Minister for Education <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Don Harwin MLC, newly appointed Special Minister of State, Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts The Hon. Gladys Berejiklian MP, Premier 	Response received from the Hon. Shelley Hancock MP , Minister for Local Government on 1 August 2019.
<p>70 Mosman Council – Permanently flying the Indigenous Flag on Sydney Harbour Bridge That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to support the implementation of a protocol for the permanent flying of the Indigenous Flag, alongside the Australian Flag and the NSW State Flag, from Sydney Harbour Bridge.</p>	Consistent with Social and Community Fundamental Principle	Consistent with Strong and Inclusive Communities Position Statement	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Sarah Mitchell MLC, Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, & Assistant Minister for Education <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Don Harwin MLC, newly appointed Special Minister of State, Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts <p>Referenced in LGNSW's Media Release 22 May 'Celebrate National Reconciliation Week locally'.</p>	
<p>71 Wagga Wagga City Council – Native title claim That the NSW Government:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review its decision to pass on responsibility for payment of damages in addition to compensation where a native title claim is determined in favour of a native title interest. Fund the adequate funding of training for council staff in the <i>Native Title Act 1993</i>. 	Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principle (A)	Added to Strong and Inclusive Communities Position Statement	<p>Letters to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Paul Toole MP, Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing The Hon. Sarah Mitchell MLC, Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, & Assistant Minister for Education Crown Lands Commissioner <p>Letter resent to:</p>	

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Don Harwin MLC, newly appointed Special Minister of State, Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts <p>Advocated through LGNSW's 2019-2020 State Budget – NSW Local Government Priorities submission.</p>	
<p>72 City of Sydney – Housing affordability That Local Government NSW notes: a. there is a crisis of housing affordability in NSW, creating unique challenges for both regional and urban areas; and b. local government has a key role to play in the easing of this crisis, and in supporting the creation of affordable housing.</p> <p>That Local Government NSW resolves: c. to support the development of affordable housing targets of 25% on government owned land, and the establishment within 12 months of an effective mechanism of inclusionary zoning for privately developed land that responds to local need and context; d. to lobby the NSW Government on the issue of affordable housing, expressing the above view; and e. to develop strategies to support local councils in NSW in increasing affordable housing in their local government areas. <i>This issue was also raised by North Sydney Council</i></p>	Consistent with Social and Community Fundamental Principle	Added to Strong and Inclusive Communities Position Statement	<p>Letters to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gladys Berejiklian MP, Premier The Hon. Anthony Roberts MP, Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister of State <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Melinda Pavey MP, newly appointed Minister for Water, Property and Housing <p>Raised in 16 May meeting with the Hon. Rob Stokes MP, Minister for Planning and Public Spaces.</p>	Response received from the Hon. Rob Stokes MP , Minister for Planning and Public Spaces in October 2019.
<p>73 Griffith City Council – Affordable housing and homelessness That Local Government NSW endorses the 'Everybody's Home Campaign' to end homelessness and provide affordable housing for all Australians. <i>This issue was also raised by Tweed Shire and Shoalhaven City Councils</i></p>	Consistent with Social and Community Fundamental Principle	Added to Strong and Inclusive Communities Position Statement	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gladys Berejiklian MP, Premier <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Melinda Pavey MP, newly appointed Minister for Water, Property and Housing The Hon. Gladys Berejiklian MP, Premier 	
<p>74 Bega Valley Shire Council – Youth crisis accommodation That Local Government NSW lobbies the Departments of Health and Housing to establish a fund for youth crisis accommodation, prioritising local government areas currently lacking any appropriate facilities to alleviate this crisis.</p>	Consistent with Social and Community Fundamental Principle	Consistent with Strong and Inclusive Communities Position Statement	<p>Letters to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gladys Berejiklian MP, Premier <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Melinda Pavey MP, newly appointed Minister for Water, Property and Housing The Hon. Gladys Berejiklian MP, Premier <p>Advocated through LGNSW's 2019-2020 State Budget – NSW Local Government Priorities submission.</p> <p>Raised with the NSW Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women at meeting on 16 July 2019.</p>	<p>The NSW State Budget 2019/2020 included \$3.3 million in 2019-20 to support the construction of Grace's Place, a world-first residential recovery centre, to help children and young people through the trauma of losing a loved one due to homicide.</p> <p>On 4 Dec 2019 the NSW Government announced construction of a 73-unit housing complex in Sydney to deliver improved support for young people leaving out of home care.</p>
<p>75 Bega Valley Shire Council – Stronger Country Communities Fund That Local Government NSW requests the Premier and Deputy Premier to commit to the continuation of the very successful Stronger Country Communities Fund as an ongoing funding program with an equitable per capita funding calculation.</p>	Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principle (A) and Social and Community Fundamental Principles	Consistent with Services in Rural Communities Position Statement and Finance Position Statement	<p>Letters to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gladys Berejiklian MP, Premier The Hon. John Barilaro MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional NSW, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gladys Berejiklian MP, Premier The Hon. John Barilaro MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional NSW, Industry and Trade <p>Advocated through LGNSW's 2019-2020 State Budget – NSW Local Government Priorities submission.</p> <p>Raised in 16 July meeting with Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women.</p>	<p>The NSW State Budget 2019/2020 includes an additional \$100 million in the Stronger Country Communities Fund.</p> <p>Response received from the Hon John Barilaro MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional NSW, Minister for Industry and Trade in September 2019.</p>

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<p>76 City of Canterbury Bankstown – Full-time Councillors That this Conference calls upon the NSW Government to investigate options for full-time councillors in NSW.</p>	Consistent with Governance Fundamental Principles	Added to new Elections, Democracy and Governance Position Statement	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, newly appointed Minister for Local Government The Hon. Don Harwin MLC, newly appointed Special Minister of State, Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Ars 	Response received from the Hon. Shelley Hancock MP , Minister for Local Government on 1 August 2019.
<p>77 Byron Shire Council – Councillor remuneration and superannuation That Local Government NSW:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Continues to make submissions to the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal (NSW) during the Tribunal's annual review of the fees payable to councillors and mayors seeking the maximum permissible remuneration increases whilst the NSW Public Sector Wages Policy applies to such increases. Lobbies the NSW Government to repeal Section 242A of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> (NSW) so that the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal is able to determine fair and reasonable fees for councillors, deputy mayors and mayors, unfettered by the Public Sector Wages Policy. Lobbies the NSW Government to amend Section 241 of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> (NSW) to remove reference to "maximum and minimum" amounts of fees payable to councillors and mayors, so that the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal determines the actual annual remuneration to be paid to councillors and mayors. Lobbies the NSW Government to amend Section 240(1) of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> (NSW) to include councils' "financial position and/or performance" as an additional criteria that the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal (NSW) is required to have regard to when determining categories for councils and mayoral offices. Lobbies the NSW Government to amend the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> (NSW) to include provisions similar to those in Section 226 of the <i>Local Government Act 2009</i> (QLD) requiring compulsory superannuation for councillors and mayors at the rate equivalent to the rate set out in the <i>Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Act 1992</i> (Cth). <i>This issue was also raised by Bega Valley Shire, Bellingen Shire, Maitland City, Murray River, and Tweed Shire Councils</i> 	Consistent with Governance Fundamental Principles	<p>Added to new Elections, Democracy and Governance position statement to incorporate parts 2, 3, 4 and 5 of this resolution</p> <p>Part 1 of resolution seeks an action</p>	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage. The Hon. Michael Daley, Leader of the Opposition <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, newly appointed Minister for Local Government The Hon. Don Harwin MLC, newly appointed Special Minister of State, Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts <p>Included as part of LGNSW's 12 Advocacy Priorities for 2019.</p> <p>Raised with the NSW Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women at meeting on 16 July 2019.</p>	<p>Acknowledgement received from the Hon. Ernest Wong, Parliamentary Secretary to Michael Daley MP, Leader of the NSW Opposition, referring to the Hon Peter Primrose, Shadow Minister for Local Govt for response 13 February 2019.</p> <p>Acknowledgement received from the Minister for Local Government's office indicating the correspondence will be assessed and a response provided later.</p> <p>Response received from the Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, Minister for Local Government on 1 August 2019.</p>
<p>78 Bourke Shire Council – Employment initiatives That the Association lobbies the NSW Government to develop a range of incentives that will encourage experienced and qualified staff from all departments and from all disciplines to seek employment opportunities in Western NSW.</p>	Consistent with Social and Community Fundamental Principle	Added to Services in Rural Communities Position Statement to incorporate position that NSW Govt should incentivise staff to seek employment in Western NSW	<p>Letter to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. John Barilaro MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional NSW, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Don Harwin MLC, newly appointed Special Minister of State, Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts The Hon. John Barilaro MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional NSW, Industry and Trade <p>Advocated through LGNSW's 2019-2020 State Budget – NSW Local Government Priorities submission.</p>	
<p>80 Bega Valley Shire Council – Extension of WHS protections to councillors</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> That Local Government NSW lobbies the Minister for Local Government and Office of Local Government (OLG) to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Fund the development and implementation of training for all councillors on their obligations under the work, health and safety legislation; Amend the Code of Conduct to expressly provide that a failure by a council official to comply with the work, health and safety legislation may constitute a breach of the Model Code of Conduct. 	<p>Consistent with: Economic Fundamental Principle (A)</p> <p>Governance Fundamental Principle</p> <p>Accountability Fundamental Principle</p>	Consistent with Finance Position Statement	<p>Letters to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage The Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP, Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations <p>Office of Local Government</p> <p>Letters resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Don Harwin MLC, newly appointed Special Minister of State, Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts 	Response received from the Hon. Shelley Hancock MP , Minister for Local Government on 1 August 2019.

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2. That Local Government NSW lobby the Treasurer and Minister for Industrial Relations to amend Section 230 of the <i>Work, Health and Safety Act 2011</i> to provide that an industrial organisation of employers and/or an employer may commence proceedings for breaches of the <i>Work, Health and Safety Act 2011</i> .			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, newly appointed Minister for Local Government The Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP, Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations 	
82 Uralla Shire Council – Funding for webcasting infrastructure That Local Government NSW lobbies the NSW Government to provide assistance to NSW councils to assist with the implementation of webcast infrastructure and technology for council meetings, if this remains a mandatory provision for all councils in the new Model Code of Meeting Practice.	Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principle (A)	Consistent with Finance Position Statement	Letters to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage The Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP, Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations Letter resent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, newly appointed Minister for Local Government The Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP, Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations Advocated through LGNSW's 2019-2020 State Budget – NSW Local Government Priorities submission.	Response received from the Hon. Shelley Hancock MP , Minister for Local Government on 1 August 2019. Under the new Model Meeting Code, the requirement to webcast meetings may be met simply by posting an audio or video recording of the meeting. This means that councils can comply with the provision at minimal cost.
83 City of Parramatta – Webcasting of Local Planning Panel meetings That Local Government NSW advocates that the NSW Government make the webcasting of Local Planning Panels (LPPs) mandatory for all councils in Greater Sydney and Wollongong at the cost of the NSW Government, in line with the Office of Local Government's draft Model Code of Meeting Practice requiring the webcasting of all meetings of the council and committees of the council.	Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principle (A) and Governance Fundamental Principle	Consistent with Planning and Local Decision Making Position Statement	Letters to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage The Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP, Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations Letter resent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, newly appointed Minister for Local Government The Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP, Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations The Hon. Rob Stokes MP, newly appointed Minister for Planning and Public Spaces Advocated through LGNSW's 2019-2020 State Budget – NSW Local Government Priorities submission.	Response received from the Hon. Shelley Hancock MP , Minister for Local Government on 1 August 2019. Notes that this is a matter for the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, the Hon Rob Stokes MP. Letter to be sent to Minister Stokes.
84 Gunnedah Shire Council – Duration of pre-polling That Local Government NSW petitions the NSW Government to change the <i>Local Government (General) Regulation 2005</i> to shorten the pre-poll voting period to the period including the Saturday to Friday of the week before Election Day.	Consistent with Governance Fundamental Principles	Added to new Elections, Democracy and Governance Position Statement	Letter to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage Following the 14 December 2018 amendment to the <i>Local Government (General Regulation) 2005</i> , LGNSW will continue to advocate for all elections to have the reduced pre-poll duration, whether conducted by the NSW Electoral Commissioner or directly by the council. In May and July 2019 LGNSW recommended in its two submissions to the IPART review of the costs of local government elections that the pre-poll duration for all local government elections be reduced to the period including the Saturday to Friday of the week before election day. Raised in 5 July 2019 meeting with the Office of the Minister for Local Government.	On 14 December 2018, the NSW Government amended clause 326 of the <i>Local Government (General) Regulation 2005</i> , giving the 'election manager' the authority to determine the days and hours of operation of pre-poll voting offices for local government elections – being any days between the twelfth and first days before election day. For elections administered by the NSWEC, the election manager is the NSW Electoral Commissioner. For elections administered directly by a council, the election manager is the general manager of that council. Response received from the Hon. Shelley Hancock MP , Minister for Local Government on 1 August 2019.
86 Dubbo Regional Council – Review of ward requirements That: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> LGNSW lobbies NSW Government to work with forcibly merged rural and regional councils to develop a model that would allow: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Newly merged councils with ward systems to move away from their forced election system of wards and return to their previous election system of a single council area; and All merged councils, regardless of their electoral model, to ensure democratic representation from the smaller merged council partner based on their population as part of the new council area. 	Consistent with Governance Fundamental Principles	Added to new Elections, Democracy and Governance Position Statement	Letter to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage Letter resent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, newly appointed Minister for Local Government 	Response received from the Hon. Shelley Hancock MP , Minister for Local Government on 1 August 2019.

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<p>The model should allow a democratic representation from the smaller merged council partner based on their population as part of the new council area.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The model developed be returned to the next LGNSW Conference for debate and adoption. 				
<p>87 Mosman Council – Use of word ‘independent’ in local government elections The <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> be amended to ensure that councillors and candidates who are members of a registered political party, or have been a member of a registered political party during any part of the 12 months prior to seeking council election/re-election, be prohibited from using the word 'Independent' beside their name on the ballot paper and on all election advertising materials.</p>	Consistent with Governance Fundamental Principles	Added to new Elections, Democracy and Governance Position Statement	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, newly appointed Minister for Local Government 	Response received from the Hon. Shelley Hancock MP , Minister for Local Government on 1 August 2019.
<p>88 Riverina Water County Council – Term of the chair for county councils That Local Government NSW makes representations to the NSW Government to amend Section 391(2) of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> so as to read "the chairperson may hold office for two years subject to this Act".</p>	Consistent with Governance Fundamental Principles and Accountability Fundamental Principle	Added to new Elections, Democracy and Governance Position Statement	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, newly appointed Minister for Local Government 	Response received from the Hon. Shelley Hancock MP , Minister for Local Government on 1 August 2019. The Minister has advised that the Government will consider the need to extend the term of chairpersons of county councils to two years as part of any future amendments to the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> .
<p>91 Bega Valley Shire Council - OLG and Crown Lands resourcing levels That Local Government NSW urgently requests the Minister for Local Government, Minister for Planning and the Minister for Lands to increase staffing levels to support councils deliver required services.</p>	Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principle (A)	Consistent with Finance Position Statement	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage The Hon. Anthony Roberts MP, Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister of State The Hon. Paul Toole MP, Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing. Crown Lands Commissioner <p>Letters resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, newly appointed Minister for Local Government The Hon. Adam Marshall MP, newly appointed Minister for Agriculture and Western NSW LGNSW has organised 2 Crown Lands summits, Lismore 14 August, Sydney 12 November . Ongoing representations are being made. 	Response received from the Hon. Shelley Hancock MP , Minister for Local Government on 1 August 2019.
<p>92 Blue Mountains City Council – Redrafting Part 7 s438(l) of the LG Act That this Conference calls on the NSW Government to re draft Part 7 s438(l) of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> to limit the power of the Minister for Local Government to suspend or dismiss democratically elected councils in all but the most extraordinary circumstances.</p>	Consistent with Governance Fundamental Principles	Added to new Elections, Democracy and Governance Position Statement	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gladys Berejiklian MP, Premier <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gladys Berejiklian MP, Premier LGNSW has organised 2 Crown Lands summits, Lismore 14 August, Sydney 12 November . <p>Ongoing representations are being made.</p>	
<p>93 City of Canterbury Bankstown – Flexible procurement That this Conference calls upon the NSW Government to undertake a review of the Local Government Act, Regulation and procurement guidelines to provide councils with a flexible framework for unsolicited proposals and to remove barriers to embracing innovation in procuring goods and services.</p>	Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principle (B)	Added to Finance Position Statement	<p>Letters to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage The Hon. Victor Dominello MP, Minister for Finance, Services and Property <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, newly appointed Minister for Local Government 	Response received from the Hon. Shelley Hancock MP , Minister for Local Government on 1 August 2019.
<p>94 Orange City Council – Council enforcement action That Local Government NSW requests the NSW Government to investigate all available options to make it easier and less expensive for local councils to take enforcement action and apply sanctions to landowners and developers responsible for intentional, serious and/or continued breaches of planning law.</p>	Consistent with Accountability Fundamental Principles	Resolution seeks an action	<p>Letters to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage The Hon. Anthony Roberts MP, Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister of State <p>Letter resent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, newly appointed Minister for Local Government 	Response received from the Hon. Shelley Hancock MP , Minister for Local Government on 1 August 2019.

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Rob Stokes MP, newly appointed Minister for Planning and Public Spaces 	
<p>95 Randwick City Council – Call for review of Land Acquisition Act That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to conduct an immediate review into the Just Terms Compensation legislation, with public hearings to allow for full and effective contributions from interested parties, in accordance with Recommendation 20 of the Review of the NSW Land Acquisition Framework by David Russell SC, known as The Russell Review.</p>	Consistent with Governance Fundamental Principle	Resolution seeks an action	Letter to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Victor Dominello MP, Minister for Finance, Services and Property Letter resent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Melinda Pavey MP, newly appointed Minister for Water, Property and Housing 	
<p>96 Carrathool Shire Council – Joint Organisations - ongoing funding That Local Government NSW lobbies the NSW Government to allocate ongoing funds to ensure the financial viability of Joint Organisations (JOs) and support JOs being effective tools for regional areas. <i>This issue was also raised by Lake Macquarie City and Tamworth Regional Councils</i></p>	Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principle (A)	Added to Finance Position Statement noting need for funding for JOs	Letters to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage The Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP, Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations Letter resent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, newly appointed Minister for Local Government The Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP, Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations <p>Advocated through LGNSW's 2019-2020 State Budget – NSW Local Government Priorities submission</p> <p>Raised in meetings with Minister Shelley. Ongoing. Discussions being held with Ministers staff successful.</p> <p>LGNSW is committed to working closely with and supporting JOs.</p> <p>LGNSW met with the Minister for Local Government, Shelley Hancock MP, recently to express our ongoing support for JOs and sought a commitment to long-term funding for JOs to ensure they can continue to deliver benefits to councils meet the objectives sought by government.</p> <p>The LGNSW 2019-20 State Budget submission to the NSW Government included the provision of ongoing funding to support the operation of JOs as a priority (we sought \$300,000 p.a per JO for 3 years).</p> <p>While short of the amount sought, LGNSW welcomes the Government's recent announcement making available a further \$1.95M in additional funding aimed at supporting JOs to develop their capability. This consists of \$150,000 in funding for each JO for a project, developed by the JO, to address one or more of the JO's regional priorities.</p> <p>Next Steps: To further show our commitment, LGNSW held a forum 1-2 October in Sydney that brings together JOs, ROCs and regional/rural councils. The objective of this forum was to identify common goals amongst attendees/LGNSW and build a platform for future collaboration.</p>	<p>Response received from the Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, Minister for Local Government on 1 August 2019.</p> <p>Win – Government has announced additional funding. LGNSW welcomes the Government's recent announcement making available a further \$1.95M in additional funding aimed at supporting JOs to develop their capability. This consists of \$150,000 in funding for each JO for a project, developed by the JO, to address one or more of the JO's regional priorities.</p>
<p>97 Lane Cove Council – Forced council amalgamations That Local Government NSW:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> gives solidarity with the people of Tumbarumba and Gundagai as they seek to demerge from their forcibly amalgamated councils and similarly supports any other communities that seek to demerge from a forcibly amalgamated council lobbies for a change to the Local Government Act to prevent the forced amalgamation of councils or significant boundary alteration without the support of a plebiscite. 	Consistent with Governance Fundamental Principles	Added to new Elections, Democracy and Governance Position Statement	Letter to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gladys Berejiklian MP, Premier Letter resent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gladys Berejiklian MP, Premier LGNSW organised an Amalgamations summit on 16-17 September where this issue was discussed.	Intergovernmental Agreement signed at 2019 Annual Conference contains a commitment by to no forced amalgamations during the term of the Government.

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<p>98 Board – Superannuation That:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Local Government NSW expresses concern to LGSS Pty Ltd, trading as Local Government Super (“LGS”) at the ongoing funding request for additional employer superannuation contributions from employers in relation to employees belonging to the Retirement Scheme (Schedule 2 of the LGSS Trust Deed) and Defined Benefit Scheme (Schedule 4 of the LGSS Trust Deed); Local Government NSW requests that LGSS Pty Ltd, trading as Local Government Super (“LGS”), undertake an independent review of the investment strategy for LGS’ Retirement Scheme (Schedule 2 of the LGS Trust Deed) and Defined Benefit Scheme (Schedule 4 of the LGS Trust Deed) to give confidence to stakeholders that the returns on superannuation funds are reasonable; Local Government NSW requests that LGSS Pty Ltd, trading as Local Government Super (“LGS”), cease requiring additional employer superannuation contributions from employers in relation to employees belonging to the Retirement Scheme (Schedule 2 of the LGSS Trust Deed) and Defined Benefit Scheme (Schedule 4 of the LGSS Trust Deed) as soon as the liabilities and asset of those schemes are deemed to be fully vested and comply with the minimum acceptable risk level requirements set by the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA); and Recommendations by Local Government NSW to LGSS Pty Ltd concerning the appointment of Directors onto the Board of LGSS be based on merit, whereby the person(s) selected have the greatest merit determined according to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The nature of the duties of the position; and The abilities, qualifications, and experience of those persons. 	<p>Consistent with Governance Fundamental Principle</p>	<p>Resolution seeks an action</p>	<p>Letter to Local Government Super 4 April 2019.</p>	<p>Email from Donna Heffernan (A/CE LGS) 5 April 2019 acknowledging receipt and undertaking to provide our letter to the LGS Board for consideration at its next Board meeting.</p>
<p>99 Lane Cove Council – LGNSW Annual Report - additional details That Local Government NSW includes in its annual report the following additional information:</p> <p><i>Controlled Entities</i> Entities that are controlled to have a copy of their respective Profit and Loss and Balance Sheet either included into the notes or added as an attachment;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local Government Procurement Partnership Local Government Procurement Pty Ltd LGP (LGA NSW) Pty Ltd LGP (SA NSW) Pty Ltd LGP (LGA NSW) Trust LGP (SA NSW) Trust Other related entities <p><i>Remuneration</i> Total Remuneration of all board members including their appointment to external Boards Related Party Disclosure. Notwithstanding the elimination entries on consolidation, a table detailing transactions between related entities that include, loans, distributions, management fees, and other material transactions over \$15,000.</p> <p><i>Appointments to External Boards</i> Table indicating the names of Councillors appointed to external Boards (LGSS Pty Ltd and StateCover Mutual Limited), their term and remuneration.</p>	<p>Consistent with Governance Fundamental Principle</p>	<p>Resolution seeks an action – now completed</p>	<p>Information included in 2017/18 Annual Report and will be included in Annual Reports going forward.</p>	<p>Complete. Information included in 2017/18 Annual Report and will be included in Annual Reports going forward.</p>
<p>100 Albury City Council – Solar bulk buy That Local Government NSW seeks an amendment to the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> (NSW) that will enable local councils to apply a voluntary Special Charge Scheme (opt in system) to council rates to fund environmental programs such as solar photovoltaic (PV) bulk buy programs.</p>	<p>Consistent with Economic Fundamental Principle (A) and Environment Fundamental Principle</p>	<p>Consistent with Climate Change Position Statement Added to Finance Position Statement including voluntary</p>	<p>Letter to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage 	

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		Special Charge Schemes in LG Act		