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**NARROMINE SHIRE COUNCIL**  
**ORDINARY MEETING BUSINESS PAPER – 13 OCTOBER 2021**  
**MAYORAL MINUTE**

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## **1. MAYORAL DIARY**

September 2021

1 September	Local Emergency Management Meeting (via Teams)
2 September	Inland Rail Meeting (via Teams)
6 September	Meeting with Saleyard Representative Traffic Management at COVID Vaccination Clinic
7 September	Meeting in Trangie re Economic Development
9 September	Meeting with NSW Health (via Video Conference) Ordinary Council Meeting (via Teams)
10 September	Meeting with Department of Premier and Cabinet NSW (via Zoom)
13 September	Local Emergency Management Meeting (via Teams)
17 September	Meeting with Deputy Premier (via Teams) Local Emergency Management Meeting (via Teams)
19 September	Meeting with Western Local Health District (via Audio/Visual Conferencing)
21 September	Meeting with Office of Inspector General of Water (via Teams)
23 September	Meeting with Government Agency re Economic Development
24 September	Local Emergency Management Meeting (via Teams)
27 September	Murray Darling Association Meeting (via Teams)
28 September	Meeting re Economic Development

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the information be noted.

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## **2. DEPUTY MAYORAL DIARY**

September 2021

9 September	Ordinary Council Meeting (via Teams)
19 September	Meeting with Western Local Health District (via Audio/Visual Conferencing)

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the information be noted.

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## **3. INFRASTRUCTURE CONTRIBUTIONS REFORMS – LGNSW**

As Council would be aware, infrastructure contributions are made by developers to help deliver the infrastructure needed as our community grows. They are a way to finance local public infrastructure that is required as a direct or indirect result of new development.

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**3. INFRASTRUCTURE CONTRIBUTIONS REFORMS – LGNSW (Cont'd)**

On 14 September 2021, I attended an online meeting with the LGNSW President, Cr Linda Scott, regarding the Infrastructure Contributions Bill that was introduced to Parliament on 22 June, and then referred to the Upper House Planning and Environment Committee for inquiry and report.

LGNSW made a submission to the inquiry, opposing the passage of the Bill in its current form and called for it to be withdrawn. The Committee recommended that the Bill not proceed until the draft regulations are developed and released for consultation and the reviews into the rate pegging system, benchmarking and essential works list have been published by IPART.

LGNSW advises that the Bill has the potential to reduce the type of community infrastructure that could be funded by developer contributions; allow developer contributions to be placed into four regional funds, with no guarantee that the money would be funnelled back into projects in our local area; dictate to Council on what and how they can spend their contributions and allow future governments to make further changes to the system without parliamentary scrutiny.

Councils and their communities should not be left worse off as a result of the reforms.

It is therefore recommended that Council calls on the NSW Government to withdraw the Bill.

**RECOMMENDATION**

1. That Narromine Shire Council calls on the NSW Government to withdraw the Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Infrastructure Contributions) Bill 2021 from the NSW Parliament.
2. That Narromine Shire Council calls on the NSW Government to undertake further consultation with the local government sector on any proposed reforms to the infrastructure contributions systems.

Cr Craig Davies  
**Mayor**