

**Supplementary
Submission
No 5a**

**INQUIRY INTO PUBLIC FUNDING OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT
ELECTION CAMPAIGNS**

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Robert Furolo MP
The Chair
Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters
Parliament House
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Dear Mr Furolo

Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters

[In response, please quote File Ref: GO/05/423455]

I refer to your letter dated 24 September, 2010 agreeing to Council's request for an extension in order to make a late supplementary submission to the inquiry into the public funding of local government election campaigns.

Council at its meeting of the 11 October 2010 gave further consideration to your invitation for comment on the questions raised in the issues paper produced by the Joint Standing Committee and/or comment on issues relevant to local government elections and the terms of reference for the inquiry.

Council resolved that the Joint Standing Committee be advised of the following responses:

1. That it be noted that Council is not in favour of public funding for local government elections.
2. That a reasonable cap be ascertained based upon the number of constituents, geography and size.
3. That third party endorsements, private individual campaigns, Union campaigns and other alternate campaigns be restricted or formalised.

I look forward to your receiving advice on any future recommendations of the Joint Standing Committee and to receiving a copy of the inquiry report after it is tabled in the Legislative Assembly.

Yours faithfully



Trevor Rowling
for J W Rayner
General Manager