



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE

10 December 2020

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The Hon John Barilaro MP
Deputy Premier
Via email:
cc:

Dear Deputy Premier

Inquiry into the integrity, efficacy and value for money of NSW Government grant programs

As you may be aware, the Public Accountability Committee is currently holding an inquiry into the integrity, efficacy and value for money of NSW Government grant programs.

The committee has heard evidence about your role in the Stronger Communities Fund, including during evidence by former ministerial staff on 9 December 2020. Unfortunately that evidence failed to identify the basis on which you supported over \$61 million in grants to councils that were overwhelmingly in seats held by Coalition MPs.

The committee has therefore resolved to invite you to appear as a witness at a hearing on Monday 8 February 2021.

Please indicate whether you are accepting this invitation to attend the hearing by **5.00 pm Thursday 17 December 2020**.

If you require any further information in relation to this matter, please contact _____, Principal Council Officer, on _____ or public.accountability@parliament.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Shoebridge'.

Mr David Shoebridge MLC
Committee Chair