

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE

10 December 2020

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Ms Gabrielle Upton MP Member for Vaucluse and Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier Via email:

Dear Ms Upton

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 and, following evidence by former ministerial staff on 9 December 2020, wishes to question you directly. We make this invitation as your former chief of staff repeatedly stated that he was not responsible for two large grants made by yourself and directed us to you to provide answers.

The committee has therefore resolved to invite you to appear as a witness at a hearing on Monday 8 February 2021 in your capacity as the former Minister for Local Government.

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

Mr David Shoebridge MLC

Committee Chair