# Questions on Notice



Answers to questions on notice - Mr Simon Massey - City of Newcastle - Public Accountability Committee Hearing 27 November 2020

## Question:

The CHAIR: I would like you to focus on just one round of grants, and you or Mr Massey might want to make a contribution. The Stronger Communities Fund tied grants round, which ended up being \$252 million of State Government grants, was largely distributed in the nine months leading up to the last State election. Did Newcastle council ever receive any notification from the State Government about the availability of that round of grants?

### Response:

No. The City of Newcastle did not receive any correspondence regarding that particular round of the Stronger Communities Fund.

#### Question

The CHAIR: I see that. We are running short on time. I understand that there was a resolution passed at the local government conference in relation to the more equitable allocation of funding. Can I ask, if that is the case, could you provide on notice any further details in that regard to the Committee?

#### Answer:

Please refer to Local Government NSW association.