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HAVE YOUR SAY ON LOCAL COUNCIL REFORM Online questionnaire for local government inquiry

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The Upper House committee inquiry into local government in New South Wales today launched an innovative new way for people to have their say about local council reforms.

The committee is trialling an online questionnaire so that individuals can inform the committee of their views.

The Committee Chair, the Hon Paul Green MLC, said "The committee is aware there is significant community interest in our inquiry. I believe that this online questionnaire will be a useful tool for people to have their say and provide feedback to the committee."

People will be able to respond to questions about proposed State Government reforms, as well as about their own local council and council amalgamations.'

Mr Green noted 'This new approach does not replace the usual submission process, which is still available for those individuals and organisations who wish to make longer and more detailed responses to the inquiry's terms of reference. The committee will also be holding a number of public hearings in Sydney and around the State, as per of the usual course of the inquiry.'

A link to the online questionnaire, and further information about the committee's inquiry, can be found on the inquiry website: www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/localgovernment.

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For further comment please contact Committee Chair, the Hon Paul Green MLC, on (02) 9230 3484.