



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE ON STATE DEVELOPMENT

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **NSW STATE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE VISITING TAMWORTH ON 27 APRIL 2016**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
20 APRIL 2016**

The NSW Upper House State Development Committee is coming to Tamworth on Wednesday 27 April 2016 to conduct a public hearing for its two current inquiries into economic development in Aboriginal communities and regional planning processes in NSW.

The hearing will take place in the Ken Chillingworth Room at West Tamworth Leagues Club on the corner of Phillip and Kent Streets from 3.15 pm until 5.30 pm.

‘The committee invites you to come and listen to the hearing where local government officials, the Tamworth Local Aboriginal Land Council, ProTen, Baiada and Tamworth Business Chamber are coming to give evidence’ said the Hon Greg Pearce, Chair of the State Development Committee.

Mr Pearce continued ‘The purpose of the inquiry into economic development in Aboriginal communities is for the committee to develop practical and achievable recommendations to ensure economic development that delivers long-lasting benefits for Aboriginal people and their communities’.

‘The purpose of the inquiry into regional planning processes in NSW is to seek ideas that will stimulate regional development and reduce the time and complexity of the planning approval process. The committee is also interested in maintaining community expectations regarding the environment and the economic aspirations of local businesses’, Mr Pearce concluded.

The hearing schedule for 27 April is available on the committee’s website at [www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/statedevelopment](http://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/statedevelopment). If you are interested in making a written submission to either inquiry, email the committee secretariat at [state.development@parliament.nsw.gov.au](mailto:state.development@parliament.nsw.gov.au).

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