

## **INQUIRY INTO LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN NEW SOUTH WALES**

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The Director  
General Purpose Standing Committee No. 6  
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Dear Madam/Sir

**Parliamentary Inquiry into the State Government's Fit for the Future Local Government Reform Agenda**

In my local government area of **Lane Cove** the State Government is proposing that our Council be merged with Hunter's Hill, Mosman, North Sydney, Willoughby and two-thirds of Ryde.

I **agree** with this approach of the State Government for Ryde for the following reasons:

1. The new Council will have a projected 2031 population of 365,400;
2. There is a close functional interaction and economic/social links between these Councils;
3. There is a need for integrated planning for major centres, Sydney Harbour foreshores, etc; and
4. Three of these six Councils are projected to have fewer than 50,000 people in 2031, including Lane Cove.

I believe that the Committee should consider my Council be amalgamated as per the State Government's recommendations.

Regards

Name

Address and/or Community Organisation Represented

Date 2/7/2015

MR. R. J. BIGGS