

## INQUIRY INTO LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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I disagree with the approach of the State Government to split the City of Ryde and force amalgamations.

I support what my local Council, the City of Ryde is proposing: for Ryde to stand alone and continue to deliver local services and address local issues, in addition to working in partnership with neighbouring Councils, Lane Cove and Hunters Hill on regional matters to achieve efficiencies through shared services.

I believe that the Committee should consider the benefits of partnerships and the joint collaboration model as proposed by the City of Ryde in preference to using amalgamations as a one size-fits-all solution, as bigger is not always better.