

**INQUIRY INTO INTEGRITY, EFFICACY AND VALUE FOR
MONEY OF NSW GOVERNMENT GRANT PROGRAMS**

Organisation: Boambee East Community Centre

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This submission is to endorse the Stronger Country Communities Fund and encourage the fund to continue to be funded to community organisations into the future.

We at Boambee East Community Centre are extremely grateful to be current recipients of a grant under the NSW Government Stronger Country Communities Fund. This grant is providing the centre a much needed opportunity to refurbish our infrastructure which will give our community a much improved, shared resource for many years to come. Our children's playground and rear yard are being modernised and expanded, we are replacing our aged kitchen and updating our entry zone to provide better access for those people with a disability and a better experience for all users. We will also be expanding our outdoor covered areas and updating our audio visual systems to enhance the user experience for our hall hirers and everyone attending the various community events the centre runs throughout the year. All the changes we will be making to the centre with the SCCF grant funds are going to see the 2452 post code area provided with a fantastic community resource that will supply a multi purpose venue that all community members, regardless of age, ability level or interest will benefit from.

We strongly endorse the SCCF Grant and sincerely hope that this funding opportunity will continue to be available for years to come so that other community organisations, neighbourhood and community centres, clubs and halls can also upgrade their facilities and provide the community with great shared spaces to come together and share in. Boambee East Community Centre Inc would also like to take this opportunity to thank MP Gurmeh Singh for his ongoing support of the centre. As a community organisation we also note that his support extends to many other community groups and facilities in the area and extend our thanks there also. Together we can build stronger country communities.