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April 2023

As your spokesperson, I proudly attended State Parliament last Wednesday and Thursday for the first sitting week of the new Parliament, I had a busy few days walking the halls meeting with as many Ministers, Shadow Ministers and Cross Bench MPs as I could from both the Upper House and Lower House.

On behalf of our members I handed out copies of our highest priorities and spoke of the early results from our current annual survey that closes on Friday 19 May, I am pleased to report **all** early conversations were positive and our organisation is recognised as an important partner in delivering for Regional communities across NSW.

These early conversations are critical in building relationships and reaffirming old relationships as we head forward into the next four years of Government in NSW, I will continue to seek meetings with all Ministers, Shadow Ministers and Cross Bench MP's over the coming months to continue our important advocacy on issues of most importance to you, our members.

Below are images of meetings held

Cr Jamie Chaffey – Chairman



Senior Staff for the Minister of Local Government the Hon Ron Hoenig MP, Mr Andrew Woodward and Mr Brendon Byron



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President of the Upper House, The Hon Ben Franklin MP



*'Minister for Regional Transport and Roads,
The Hon Jenny Aitchison MP*



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Minister for Agriculture, Regional NSW and Western NSW, The Hon Tara Moriarty MP



Minister for Customer Service, Emergency Services and Youth Justice, The Hon Jihad Dib MP



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*Shadow Minister for Gaming, Racing, Arts and Heritage,
The Hon Kevin Anderson MP*



*The Shadow Minister for Education, Early Learning and
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*The Shadow Minister for Local Government and Small Business,
The Hon Wendy Tuckerman MP*



*The Shadow Minister for Mental Health, Medical Research
and Veterans, The Hon Robyn Preston MP*



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The Shadow Minister for Police, The Hon Paul Toole MP



*Shadow Minister for Regional Transport and Roads,
The Hon Sam Farraway MP*



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*Shadow Minister for Agriculture, Resources and
Western NSW, The Hon Dugald Saunders MP*



*Shadow Minister Skills, TAFE, Tertiary Education,
Mr Justin Clancy MP*



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*Shadow Minister for Water and Crown Lands,
The Hon Steph Cooke MP*



*The Shadow Minister for Youth Justice,
Ms Aileen McDonald MLC*



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*Member for Northern Tablelands,
The Hon Adam Marshall MP*



*Independent Member for Wakehurst,
Mr Michael Regan MP*