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### DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS

Country Mayors have been very concerned about the implications of the proposed NSW Government's *Environmental Planning & Assessment Amendment (Infrastructure Contributions) Bill 2021*.

The potential shift of burden to build necessary infrastructure for growing communities onto our constituents is alarming to Mayors across regional NSW.

In respect of the proposed Bill, could I acknowledge the good work done by LGNSW in lobbying for changes to this concerning proposal. We understand that Minister Stokes has been listening and is considering changes to the proposed legislation.

Accordingly, Country Mayors supports the call on the NSW Government to modify the reform package and to:

- Undertake further modelling and consultation with stakeholders including with councils and the public.
- Provide a guarantee that councils and their communities are not left worse off as a result of these reforms.
- Embed the details in the Act rather than rely on regulations, to ensure Parliamentary oversight of any future proposed changes.
- Progress the population growth rate reforms independently from any reforms to the infrastructure contributions system.

The End

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