



**With the Compliments  
of the  
Premier of New South Wales**

**The Hon Bradley Hazzard MP  
Minister for Planning and Infrastructure,  
and Minister Assisting the Premier on  
Infrastructure NSW**

**For all necessary attention.**

**21 MAR 2013**

# Clayton Barr, MP

STATE MEMBER FOR THE ELECTORATE OF CESSNOCK

Our Ref: CB2-CessnockCityCouncil-Pre130305-0944

The Hon Barry O'Farrell, MP  
Premier  
GPO Box 5341  
SYDNEY NSW 2001

7 March 2013  
Received in Briefings  
and Correspondence Unit

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*Premier*  
Dear Mr O'Farrell

I write on behalf of Clr Bob Pynsent, Mayor of Cessnock City Council, PO Box 152, Cessnock 2325.

In the attached correspondence that has been received, Clr Pynsent expresses Council's disappointment with the decision to remove the Newcastle rail line using the Hunter Infrastructure Fund, as the project will command an unduly large portion of the Fund.

It would be appreciated if you could consider the issues raised in Clr Pynsent's correspondence and provide me with a response at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely



**CLAYTON BARR, MP**  
State Member for the  
Electorate of Cessnock

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Mr Clayton Barr, MP  
State Member for Cessnock  
118 Vincent Street  
CESSNOCK 2325

Contact: Louise Gee  
Our Ref: DOC2013/007239  
Your Ref:

Dear Mr Barr

**Hunter Infrastructure Fund**

At its meeting of 6 February 2013, Council resolved to seek your support and request that you write to the Premier expressing Council's disappointment with the decision to remove the Newcastle rail line using the Hunter Infrastructure Fund, as the project will command an unduly large portion of the Fund.

A copy of the Council Resolution is attached for your reference. Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or the General Manager, Ms Lea Rosser on 4993 4212.

Yours faithfully

BOB PYNSENT  
MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CESSNOCK

26 February 2013

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**BUSINESS WITH NOTICE NO. BN2/2013**

**SUBJECT: HUNTER INFRASTRUCTURE FUND**

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**MOTION**

**Moved:** Councillor Campbell    **Seconded:** Councillor Maybury

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**RESOLVED**

That Council write to the Premier through the State Member Clayton Barr expressing its disappointment with the decision to remove the Newcastle rail line using the Hunter Infrastructure Fund, as the project will command an unduly large portion of the Fund.

**FOR**

Councillor Pynsent  
Councillor Burcham  
Councillor Doherty  
Councillor Wrightson  
Councillor Olsen  
Councillor Ryan  
Councillor Stapleford  
Councillor Hawkins  
Councillor Smith  
Councillor Campbell  
Councillor Parsons  
Councillor Maybury  
**Total (12)**

**AGAINST**

**Total (0)**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

19 March 2013

Mr Clayton Barr MP  
Member for Cessnock  
118 Vincent Street  
CESSNOCK NSW 2325

Dear Mr Barr

Thank you for your representations on behalf of Cllr Bob Pynsent, Mayor of Cessnock City Council. I have read Cllr Pynsent's letter and noted Council's resolution regarding the Newcastle Rail Line.

I have forwarded a copy of the correspondence to the Hon Brad Hazzard MP, Minister for Planning and the Hon Gladys Berejiklian MP, Minister for Transport. The matters raised fall within the administrations of my colleagues and it is appropriate that the matter is brought to their attention.

Thank you for bringing Council's letter to my attention.

Yours sincerely



**Barry O'Farrell MP**  
Premier