

## NSW MPS AND SHOROC BOARD COLLABORATING FOR NORTHERN BEACHES AND MOSMAN

4 December 2013

Local NSW Members of Parliament The Hon Mike Baird MP, The Hon Brad Hazzard MP, The Hon Rob Stokes MP and The Hon Jonathan O’Dea MP met with the SHOROC Board of Mayors and General Managers from Manly, Mosman, Pittwater and Warringah councils to continue their collaborative efforts for the Northern Beaches and Mosman.

SHOROC President and Pittwater Mayor Jacqueline Townsend said “we have achieved much together over recent years through collaboration and these regular meetings enable us to address the big issues for our region as a united group. “

“It was at one of these meetings three years ago that we agreed on the major priorities for this region. I congratulate our local Members for what they have achieved in this short time and for their collaborative approach of partnering with SHOROC.

“Work is progressing at a rapid rate on the new health system including the Northern Beaches and Mona Vale hospitals.

“The resources of government are focused on fixing our much maligned transport system, with a commitment to a comprehensive transport plan and major infrastructure funding in the coming months.

Discussion centred on priorities for the future and how the MPs and Mayors can work together to address other major regional challenges, while ensuring delivery of the much improved regional health and transport systems.

Coordinated planning for the future of the region, particularly boosting the local economy by supporting employment and local businesses, collaborating on transport infrastructure and aligning services are areas discussed where it would be beneficial for state and local government to work more closely together.

“These forums are invaluable for us as a region. Together we can make this fantastic area even stronger for the future,” Mayor Townsend said.

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