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SHOROC MAYORS MEET PRIME MINISTER AND SPEAKER TO TALK INFRASTRUCTURE FOR NORTHERN BEACHES & NORTH SHORE

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SHOROC Mayors and General Managers met this week with Prime Minister The Hon Tony Abbott MP and Speaker of the House The Hon Bronwyn Bishop MP to discuss major issues for the Northern Beaches and North Shore.

The Prime Minister welcomed the Manly, Mosman, Pittwater and Warringah Mayors and General Managers into the Cabinet Anteroom for a positive and productive meeting.

The Mayors outlined the major priorities for the region under SHOROC's Corporate Plan.

Key issues discussed included the newly announced plans for a Bus Rapid Transit system and feasibility planning for a Northern Beaches tunnel, as well as the timetable for delivering faster broadband.

"The Prime Minister and Speaker are big advocates for better public transport and reducing road congestion and I'm confident there is good Commonwealth support for this much needed infrastructure," said SHOROC President and Pittwater Mayor, Cr Jacqueline Townsend.

"Faster broadband will support local businesses and create jobs.

"It's important we have a rollout timetable for the Northern Beaches and North Shore so that we can plan for its introduction.

"The other key priority discussed was the need to maintain Federal funding for vital social services for youth employment," Cr Townsend said.

The Mayors and General Managers were in Canberra for the National General Assembly of Local Government Conference and Cr Townsend says it makes a difference when you can make the case for the region to Federal members personally.

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