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16.1 Submission to the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters - NSW Parliament

Responsible Director: Office of the Chief Executive Officer

Item 16.1

Report

The Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters is inquiring into and reporting on the display of electoral posters and other electoral signage at voting centres. Council was invited to provide a submission by 2 April 2026.

The terms of reference of the inquiry stated:

- (a) the areas around voting centres within which the number/size of posters and other electoral signage should be limited, considering the variety of settings in which voting centres are located (including enclosed grounds such as schools) and any exceptions for buildings or uses within those zones
- (b) the persons and/or groups who should be permitted to display posters and other electoral signage within these areas, and whether the display of posters and other electoral signage should be limited to candidates, or candidates and parties;
- (c) the number/size of posters and other electoral signage that should be permitted to be displayed by each person or group, and whether the limit should apply severally or collectively for associated people and groups;
- (d) whether there should be specific poster and other electoral signage limits for Assembly general elections and periodic Council elections and by-elections;
- (e) the period within which any limits should apply;
- (f) the implied freedom of political communication under the Commonwealth Constitution;
- (g) appropriate mechanisms for the enforcement of restrictions; and
- (h) any other related matter.

This report presents the submission provided to the inquiry from Council. A copy of the submission is enclosed for the information of Councillors.

Communication/Community Engagement

Environment and Compliance

Councillors

Risk implication

The risk associated with not making a submission is not having a voice in state and federal issues. It is important that consideration is given to regional rural views as much as those in town centres and often issues can be considerably different. In order

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to see any changes to election signage we must provide intelligent and robust feedback via a submission.

Enclosures

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16.2 Survey received: Jamberoo Community Traffic Survey Report - Jamberoo Valley Residents and Ratepayers AssociationResponsible Director: Infrastructure and Operations

Report

A Community Traffic Survey Report has been received from Jamberoo Valley Residents and Ratepayers Association (JVRRA) via email on 13 March 2026. This was tabled at the March meeting by Councillors Warren and Larkins. The Report is included in the enclosures as part of the Minutes Attachment at item 6.1

JVRRA has advised that they have conducted the survey of Jamberoo households in order to collect information on how residents travel within and beyond the area, and to document concerns and suggestions for improving traffic safety.

The questions covered basic demographic data and transport options, with comments invited on residents' concerns about local traffic, opinions on speed limits, views on the need for traffic calming devices, and the experience of pedestrians and cyclists. Options were provided for qualitative comments, with the opportunity to raise additional concerns and set priorities.

JVRRA have advised that survey forms were distributed to all Jamberoo village and rural households, with the request that only one survey per household be completed. The response rate was strong, with 211 surveys received. Respondents took the time to provide detailed, thorough responses.

The Jamberoo Traffic Survey Report contains data that JVRRA hopes Council will find of interest, both in terms of (a) understanding and responding to the needs of our local community and (b) in Council's work on developing municipality-wide local traffic safety strategies.

Council's Infrastructure and Operations staff are currently reviewing the survey and will respond directly back to the JVRRA.

Communication/Community Engagement

Community consultation is not required.

Risk implication

Council's risk profile has not changed.