## Resolutions of the 2016 National General Assembly of Local Government

## **Resolution A**

The NGA calls on all Councils to adopt procurement policies that ensure that materials sourced for council projects, including steel, meet relevant Australian standards for manufacture and fabrication.

Carried unanimously

## **Resolution B**

# **Randwick City Council**

The NGA calls upon the ALGA to actively advocate for the earliest possible Local Government election date and no later than March 2017 for the recently proclaimed councils, and any councils which are about to be formed in NSW.

Carried

# **Resolution 1**

Kyogle Council and Blacktown City Council NSW

That the National General Assembly re-affirms its call on the Federal Government to end the freeze on the indexation of Financial Assistance Grants (FAGs).

Carried unanimously

## **Resolution 2**

Lake Macquarie City Council NSW

That the National General Assembly call on the Australian Government to review the quantum and method of indexing Financial Assistance Grants to ensure that funding is commensurate with increases in the costs of efficient local government service delivery.

Carried

### **Resolution 3**

Lockyer Valley Regional Council QLD

That the National General Assembly call on the Federal Government to streamline additional targeted funding directly to local governments.

Carried unanimously

### **Resolution 4**

**Uralla Shire Council NSW** 

That the National General Assembly call upon the Federal Government to restore the level of Financial Assistance grants to local government to at least 1% of Commonwealth tax revenue and to reintroduce full indexation on this amount for the future.

Carried

#### **Resolution 5**

Flinders Shire Council QLD

That the National General Assembly make representation to the Commonwealth Treasurer for the release of the Commonwealth Grants Commission Report titled "Review on Improving the Impact of the Financial Assistance Grants on Local Government Financial Sustainability", completed in December, 2013.

Carried unanimously

#### **Resolution 6**

Ku-ring-gai Council NSW

That the National General Assembly calls for a rating system for Local Government be levied uniformly, with Rates Capping to be abolished across Australia.

Lost

#### **Resolution 7**

Byron Shire Council NSW

That the National General Assembly call on the Federal Government to collaborate with State and Local Governments in the area of innovative funding reform to ensure fairness and equity in service delivery to disadvantaged and vulnerable Australians, align funding outcomes and maximise the impact of limited resources.

Carried

#### **Resolution 8**

**Kyogle Council NSW** 

That the National General Assembly calls on the Federal Government to create a rural portfolio that will provide a framework for states to apply for federal government funding as well as FAG funding allocations to be redistributed to rural councils in most need.

Lost

### **Resolution 9**

Shoalhaven City Council NSW

That the National General Assembly calls on the Federal Government to adopt a consistent Australian wide approach to determine infrastructure deficiencies and funding priorities on key local freight routes, in particular the first and last mile.

Carried

#### **Resolution 10**

Yarra City Council VIC

That the National General Assembly calls for ALGA to continue to raise through COAG structures, the urgent need for re-alignment of Federal funding arrangements so that levels of Government in Australia have a more efficient match between their responsibilities and their finances and importantly to address the growing infrastructure gap and productivity impact.

Carried unanimously

Yarra City Council VIC

That the National General Assembly calls on the Federal Government to restore infrastructure funding, reduce inequitable discrepancies between states, and support rail infrastructure projects.

Carried

## **Resolution 12**

Alice Springs Town Council NT

That the National General Assembly calls on the Australian, State and Territory Governments to deliver future infrastructure upgrades in all Aboriginal Living Areas to Australian National Standards.

Carried

#### **Resolution 13**

Isaac Regional Council QLD

That this National General Assembly calls on the Federal Government, through the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport and the Minister for Regional Development, to recognise the importance of roads to the development of the agriculture sector by implementing urgently Recommendation 3.4 of the Australian Infrastructure Plan 2016, that being: Australia needs a National Freight and Supply Chain Strategy.

Carried

### **Resolution 14**

Lake Macquarie City Council NSW

That the National General Assembly call on the Australian Government to effectively partner with local government in any adaptation, or delivery of, of the UK City Deals model, including Smart City Plans.

Carried unanimously

**Brisbane City Council QLD** 

That the National General Assembly calls on the Australian Government to investigate innovative funding models (including value capture) for the provision of infrastructure and ensure those models include the ability for local government to access alternative equitable and sustainable funding and financing opportunities.

Carried unanimously

#### **Resolution 16**

Maribyrnong City Council VIC

That the National General Assembly calls on the Federal Government to resource Councils experiencing rapid population growth as part of its commitment to promoting sustainable cities to assist with provision of required infrastructure, recognising the obligations of developers to contribute to the costs of infrastructure required for their developments, and service demand.

Carried

#### **Resolution 17**

Parkes Shire Council NSW

That this National General Assembly calls on the Federal Government to commit to delivering the Melbourne to Brisbane Inland Railway (MBIR) within ten (10) years as a matter of national priority.

Carried

# **Resolution 18**

North Burnett Regional Council QLD

That this National Assembly calls upon the Federal Government to make funding for the Roads to Recovery Program permanent and to continue allocation of funding as a minimum at current levels.

City of Whittlesea VIC

That the National General Assembly calls on the Commonwealth Government to establish an Infrastructure Funding Agency to complement the work of Infrastructure Australia by establishing a financing framework to fund and deliver priority projects.

Carried unanimously

### **Resolution 20**

**Orange City NSW** 

That the National General Assembly call on the Commonwealth Government to require all councils across Australia to submit consistent, accurate and validated data in relation to the condition of road transport assets, including any funding backlogs.

Carried

### **Resolution 21**

Blacktown City Council NSW

That this National General Assembly calls on the Australian Government to set appropriate standards, and provide technical support and funding for sustainable transport projects and associated infrastructure, including support for electric motor vehicles.

Carried

### **Resolution 22**

Brisbane City Council QLD

That this National General Assembly call on the Australian Government to partner, in association of State and Territory Governments, with local government to deliver smart, connected cities and towns using digital technologies (such as street lighting, parking, CCTV).

Forbes Shire Council NSW

That this National General Assembly call on the Federal Government to provide dedicated and meaningful funding for community sporting facilities, with such funding regime commencing in the 2017/2018 Commonwealth budget period.

Carried

### **Resolution 24**

Blacktown City Council NSW

That this National General Assembly calls on the Australian Government to fund the maintenance of legacy facilities built for Olympic and Commonwealth Games competition in Australia.

Lost

#### **Resolution 25**

East Gippsland Shire Council, endorsed by Latrobe City Council and Wellington Shire Council VIC

That the National General Assembly call on the Australian Government to exempt Airport and Aerodrome Operators from having to meet the requirements of the 'Permitted clearing of native vegetation - Biodiversity assessment guidelines' when maintaining the Obstacle Limitation Surface (OLS) and Visual Segment Surface (VSS) at airports and aerodromes.

Carried

### **Resolution 26**

Isaac Regional Council QLD

That this National General Assembly calls on the Federal Government, through the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport and the Minister for Regional Development, to implement the infrastructure reform incentives and long-term regional infrastructure plans elements of the *Australian Infrastructure Plan 2016* to ensure safe and secure supplies of potable water across Australia. Specifically, the implementation of recommendations 1.1 and 4.1 as follows:

1.1 The Australian Government should establish Infrastructure Reform Incentives, which link additional infrastructure funding to the delivery of reform outcomes. This mechanism would encourage state, territory and local governments to deliver productivity enhancing reforms to the planning, construction, operation, ownership and governance of Australia's infrastructure.

4.1 State and territory governments should deliver long-term regional infrastructure plans. In particular, these plans should:

- identify gaps in infrastructure networks and identify priorities to support productive regional industries; and
- be developed with involvement from all levels of government to help coordinate investments and remove duplication.

Carried

#### **Resolution 27**

Wyndham City Council VIC

That the guidelines for the National Irrigation Infrastructure Upgrade Fund established by the Federal Government be amended to allow immediate funding for capital projects where business cases have been completed and approved by State Governments and Water Authorities.

Carried

### **Resolution 28**

Flinders Shire Council QLD

That the National General Assembly of Local Government make representations to the Federal Government to end the uncertainty and allocate sufficient funds to complete the capping and piping of the remaining bores that are still wasting water and pressure.

Carried unanimously

### **Resolution 29**

Cowra Council NSW

That the National General Assembly:

1. Confirm its opposition to recommendation 4.7 in the Infrastructure Australia Plan Priorities and reforms for our nation's future released in February 2016 that recommends the transfer of council provided water and sewerage services to regional water corporation and their privatisation where commercially viable; and

2. Recognises international research on the remunicipalisation of water and sanitation services over the past 15 years in advocacy in this regard.

Carried

## **Resolution 30**

City of Mitcham SA

The National General Assembly calls upon the Federal Government to improve local living standards by increasing funding available for stormwater infrastructure. Major upgrade and improvements to local stormwater infrastructure needs financial support from Federal Government to reduce the effects of flooding.

Carried unanimously

## **Resolution 31**

Central Highlands Regional Council QLD

That the National General Assembly call on the Australian Government for more funding to be allocated to the Mobile Black Spot Programme.

Carried unanimously

#### **Resolution 32**

City of Whittlesea VIC

That the National General Assembly calls on the Commonwealth Government to amend the legislation and customer charter of NBN Co to require it to provide priority emergency management telephone lines free of charge as part of its social obligations.

Carried unanimously

Ku-ring-gai Council NSW

This National General Assembly call for more technologically advanced Councils, who use, for example, electronically advanced hardware and software computer programs and apps which provide swift and efficient pathways to service residents' needs, enter into voluntary mentoring relationships with less innovative Councils, and for the Commonwealth Government to support this through a funding program.

Carried

#### **Resolution 34**

Lake Macquarie City Council NSW

That the National General Assembly call on the Australian Government to establish a National Local Government Digital Innovation and Smart Communities Acceleration program and funding commitment, to recognise and facilitate the pivotal role of local government in creating local conditions conducive to technology and knowledge-driven economic development, consistent with the National Innovation and Science Agenda.

Carried

### **Resolution 35**

Shoalhaven City Council NSW

That the National General Assembly calls on the Federal Government to reduce the duplication between the Commonwealth and State Governments with respect to Environmental Approvals.

Carried

# **Resolution 36**

Town of Gawler SA

That the National General Assembly endorses the Paris Agreement under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change adopted in December 2015, and requests the Australian Government to create partnerships and provide assistance to local governments to help implement the Paris Agreement including support for action:

- 1. By local governments to reduce their environmental impacts related to Climate Change.
- 2. To encourage innovation by local governments, local communities and local businesses to assist in reducing environmental impacts relating to Climate Change.
- 3. To help with community education to understand Climate Change and effective ways to contribute to the goals set out in the Paris Agreement.

Carried

### Resolution 36.1

Nillumbik Shire Council VIC

The Australian Local Government Association calls on the Australian Government to provide direct funding to assist local governments and their related greenhouse action alliances to address climate change mitigation and adaptation.

Carried

### **Resolution 37**

Melbourne City Council VIC

That the National General Assembly encourages all Australian councils and local government peak bodies to support and get involved in the Ecocity World Summit to be held in Melbourne between 12 and 14 July 2017 through actions such as, but not limited to, the following:

- 1. Noting Summit details in council and community event calendars and newsletters.
- 2. Promotion through council and local government peak body publications and websites.
- 3. Sending council representatives to the Summit.
- 4. Submitting papers and/or presentations to the secretariat as the Summit program develops.
- 5.Considering running a local government forum around the Summit themes concurrently with the Ecocity World Summit.
- 6.Considering how councils might connect with visiting international delegates to further explore and advance local opportunities.

Port Augusta City Council SA

That the National General Assembly: a)Supports the establishment of the Federal Government's 'Clean Energy Innovation Fund' and the retention of the Australian Renewable Energy Agency (ARENA) and Clean Energy Finance Corporation; and b)Pursues opportunities for the Local Government sector to partner with Government and industry in innovative renewable energy and zero carbon solutions that will both reduce emissions and create new local jobs and industries.

Carried

#### **Resolution 39**

**Hobart City Council TAS** 

That the National General Assembly call on the Federal Government to reconsider its position with regard to CSIRO job cuts because of the critical importance of the scientific data needed by Councils to accurately inform their climate adaptation strategies and to inform their communities.

Carried

#### **Resolution 40**

Shoalhaven City Council NSW

That the National General Assembly support the position of the Australian Coastal Councils Association and call on the Federal Government to implement a coordinated national approach to Coastal Management.

Withdrawn

# **Resolution 40.1**

Bega Valley Shire Council NSW, Eurobodalla Shire Council NSW and East Gippsland Shire Council VIC

That the National General Assembly call on the Australian Government to develop an Intergovernmental Agreement on the Coastal Zone in consultation with state, territory and local governments as a means of defining the roles and responsibilities of each tier of government in relation to coastal zone management.

Carried unanimously

City of West Torrens SA

That the National General Assembly call on the Federal Government to address the blue green algae problem of the Murray Darling River System, and in conjunction with the Murray Darling Association and/or Murray Darling Basin Authority commit funding to research and investigation of this breakout.

Carried unanimously

#### **Resolution 42**

Broken Hill City Council NSW, Mildura Rural City Council VIC, Wentworth Shire Council NSW and Central Darling Shire Council VIC

That the National General Assembly supports the Local Government Authorities of Broken Hill City Council, Mildura Rural City Council, Wentworth Shire Council and Central Darling Shire Council with their campaign for a sustainable Darling River system that ensures the health and wellbeing of the communities that live along it and enriches the Economic, Social, Environmental and Cultural values that has been part of its long history.

Carried unanimously

#### **Resolution 43**

Willoughby City Council NSW

That the National General Assembly calls on the Federal Government to support the protection of urban bushland and increase local biodiversity values across Australia.

Lost

#### **Resolution 44**

Willoughby City Council NSW

That the National General Assembly call on the Minister for Primary Industry and the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources on measures to limit further loss of productive food growing areas that

include a comprehensive policy framework driven by long-term food security, and the establishment of a Food and Water Data Commission for the co-ordination of essential food and water related information.

Lost

#### **Resolution 45**

Bega Valley Shire Council NSW

That the National General Assembly call on the Australian Government to develop a national guideline for all States and Territories to ban mass balloon release.

Lost

## **Resolution 46**

Warrumbungle Shire Council NSW

That the National General Assembly call on the Australian Government to establish an emergency fund to offset the cost of asbestos related impacts on the community. This fund would be accessible to the agency responsible for the clean-up and to assist with action required to make safe the asbestos threat FURTHERMORE that the fund is ongoing indexed to CPI and regularly topped up to a level relative to need.

Carried

### **Resolution 47**

City of Ballarat VIC

That the National General Assembly requests all State and Territory Assocaitons lobby the various State and Territory Governments to provide to all Councils template procurement policies and guidelines that promote green and sustainable building requirements for infrastructure, energy and transport contracts above \$300,000.00.

Carried

## **Resolution 48**

Lockyer Valley Regional Council QLD

That the National General Assembly call on the Commonwealth Government to increase funding for the appropriate Agency to properly resource the integration into our local communities of migrant workers, refugees and members of other minority groups.

Carried

#### **Resolution 49**

Isaac Regional Council QLD

That this National General Assembly calls on the Federal Government, through the Attorney-General, to prevent the discrimination practiced by employers that deny employment opportunities on the basis of place of residence in Australia, by including place of residence as a protected attribute in employment under Australia's Anti-Discrimination laws. This National General Assembly notes that it is unlawful in Australia to discriminate on the basis of a number of protected attributes including age, disability, race, sex, intersex status, gender identity and sexual orientation in certain areas of public life, including education and employment; and that place of residence should not be a disqualification for applying for and gaining employment.

Carried

#### **Resolution 50**

City of Darwin NT

That this National General Assembly call on the Federal Government and the Federal Parliament to treat with dignity and respect all members of the community regardless of gender or sexuality by supporting changes to the Marriage Act to achieve marriage equality for same sex couples.

Carried

## **Resolution 51**

Byron Shire Council NSW

That the National General Assembly call on the Federal Government to introduce legislation making it unlawful for a person to engage in offensive behaviour based on another person's gender identity, sexual orientation or related grounds.

Carried

## **Resolution 52**

Ballina Shire Council NSW

That the National General Assembly write to the relevant Federal Ministers to encourage and support any actions or legislative changes that can or are to be taken to remove or ban the inappropriate messages that are printed on Wicked Camper vans.

Carried

#### **Resolution 53**

Mildura Rural City Council VIC

Given the high levels of disadvantage, the National General Assembly calls on the Federal Government to do everything possible to deploy the Gonski recommendations for our education system and reduce the level of education disengagement experienced in Australia.

Carried

#### **Resolution 54**

**Knox City Council VIC** 

That the National General Assembly call on the Commonwealth Government to provide continuity and stability of funding to support the provision of 15 hours of preschool to young children across the nation in recognition of the critical importance of the provision of accessible, affordable and high quality early childhood education and care services in building strong foundations for a prosperous, humane and modern Australia.

Carried

### **Resolution 55**

Mildura Rural City VIC

That the National General Assembly call on the Federal Government do everything possible to minimise the impact of the proposed reforms to the Home and Community Care (Community Home Support Program) program on our senior population.

Carried unanimously

### **Resolution 56**

**Knox City Council VIC** 

That the National General Assembly calls on the Federal Government to reinstate the funding to the National Partnership Agreement for Preventative Health (NPAPH) to enable State based obesity prevention health promotion/prevention initiatives to continue from 1 July 2016.

Carried unanimously

## **Resolution 57**

Central Highlands Regional Council QLD

That the National General Assembly call for existing health-related funding and, where necessary, new funding to support the provision of rural and remote health services in Australia. This includes: initiatives to address the workplace health and safety of remote health professionals, the provision of mental health services generally, and specifically to address drought-related mental illness and resources to combat the escalation of illicit drug use.

Carried unanimously

## **Resolution 58**

City of West Torrens SA

That the National General Assembly call on the Federal Government to ban all forms of online gambling advertising during sporting events.

Port Phillip City Council VIC

That the National General Assembly call on ALGA to work with the Federal Government on innovative ways to improve housing affordability so key workers and families have appropriate and affordable housing options.

Carried

### **Resolution 60**

Tweed Shire Council NSW

That the National General Assembly call on both the Federal and State Governments to consider providing an amendment to the Income Tax Assessment Act whereby a private land owner with capacity in their home to let a bedroom or perhaps a granny flat would be exempt from both capital gains tax and land tax provisions should the bedroom or granny flat be let to a person deemed in housing crisis by Centrelink.

Lapsed

# **Resolution 61**

North Burnett Regional Council QLD

That this National General Assembly call on the Australian Government to maintain the current funding levels and percentage ratios for Natural Disaster events.

Carried

### **Resolution 62**

North Burnett Regional Council QLD

That this National General Assembly calls on the Federal Government to engage directly with local government in developing an upfront recovery funding model, including full assessment of its merits prior to introduction.

## Resolution 62.1

Port Stephens Council NSW

That the National General Assembly call on the Australian Government to:

1.Review and revision of the limitation on cost recovery for restoration works, under which 'only additional council resources such as overtime and extra shifts and additional contracted services are eligible for reimbursement'. This request is based on the additional and unnecessary cost to councils and the wider community brought about by the inability of councils to recover the cost of restoration works undertaken by councils using their day labour resources during ordinary hours of work. This approach does nothing but add cost to the recovery phase.

2.The current closing date for the submission of claims for the recovery of costs of 'Emergency Works' needs to be more flexible. The current three week (21 day) limitation in most cases will not be appropriate and requires extension.

3.Increased support and flexibility in respect to cooperation and assistance from the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) in relation to the collection, storage, processing, re-use and disposal (as necessary) of waste from events. While Council generally supports the approach that the EPA has in respect to management of waste in NSW, in times of major disasters, flexibility and support is needed to assist local communities in dealing with this major impost.

4.Exemption from the NSW Waste Levy for the disposal of all material as a result of a natural disaster. This cost has a considerable impact on local communities and requires review. Further, when there is a decision to exempt the levy there should also be more flexibility in the time period that this applies subsequent to an event. 5.Increased funding for works in the planning and preparation phases of emergency management, so that required mitigation works can be planned and implemented. It is shown through research and review undertaken by experts in the field of emergency management that this will provide substantial long term financial, social and environmental benefits. The recently released Productivity Commission findings support a re-think by Governments on this issue.

Carried

# **Resolution 63**

**Albury City Council NSW** 

That the National General Assembly calls for: a.Australian Government bipartisan support for the continuation of the National Stronger Regions Program (or similar); and b.State and Territory programs

available to Local Government for major infrastructure funding are aligned with the National Stronger Regions to better facilitate increased opportunities for a whole of government approach to project planning and achievement.

Carried unanimously

### **Resolution 64**

West Wimmera Shire Council VIC

That the National General Assembly calls on the Federal Government critically evaluate its usage and methodology of the Australian Bureau of Statistics dataset of Remoteness Areas Index, and that these findings be given consideration to address rural disadvantage and support the Federal Government's broader aims of supporting innovation and economic development.

Withdrawn

#### **Resolution 65**

**Boulia Shire Council QLD** 

That the National General Assembly calls on the Commonwealth Government to significantly increase the remote area tax zone rebate including boundaries to encourage workers and families to live and work in rural and remote parts of Australia.

Carried unanimously

#### **Resolution 66**

Rockdale City Council NSW

That this National General Assembly call on major political parties and the incoming government to commit to the longstanding policy of successive Australian Governments on Payment of Local Council Rates for Commonwealth Owned Land in specified circumstances together with an assurance that all Government Agencies will be required to act in a manner which is consistent with this Policy.

Lapsed

Central Highlands Regional Council QLD

That the National General Assembly call on the Commonwealth Government to provide innovative solutions to current electoral processes through the introduction of electronic voting systems for all elections.

Carried unanimously

### **Resolution 68**

Melbourne City Council VIC

That the National General Assembly endorses the following transparency and disclosure principles:

1. Councillor expense claims should be fully disclosed periodically on the council website. 2. International travel by councillors should be pre-approved at an open council or committee meeting, including the likely cost to ratepayers of the proposed travel.

Carried

# **Resolution 69**

Byron Shire Council NSW

That this National General Assembly call on the Federal government to hold a referendum to amend the Commonwealth Constitution to recognise local government.

Carried

### **Resolution 70**

Tweed Shire Council NSW

That the National General Assembly calls on Federal and State Governments to consider instituting into the appropriate taxation systems a 'Booking Tax' on online accommodation booking services like Airbnb, in a similar method to the levying of the Hospitality Tax currently being applied in the United States of America.

Lapsed

Tweed Shire Council NSW

That the Australian Local Government Association on a six monthly basis provides a status update to all member councils on the current situation of each motion considered at the previous National General Assembly.

Lapsed

### **Resolution 72**

Wingecarribee Shire Council NSW

That the National General Assembly call on the Federal Government to urgently review the policy on the sale of land to Foreign sovereign investors.

- 2. THAT the Foreign Investment Board reviews the levels of investment allowable in Australian land and properties.
- 3. THAT the Australian Local Government Association makes these representations to ensure that Australian agricultural lands remain in Australian ownership to ensure that Australian food and water security is ensured.

Lost

# **Resolution 73**

Melbourne City Council VIC

That the ALGA National General Assembly: 1. Supports the establishment of an independent Federal government agency with a specific mandate to investigate, expose and prosecute corruption in areas of public administration directly overseen by the Federal Government, including the conduct of Federal Members of Parliament; 2. Requests the ALGA President write to the leaders of all political parties represented in the Federal Parliament informing them of the National General Assembly's position.

Carried

## **Resolution 74**

Adelaide City Council SA

That the National General Assembly call upon the Australian Government to provide relief from the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on materials and labour used for all listed heritage conservation projects.

Carried

#### **Resolution 75**

**Orange City NSW** 

That the National General Assembly express concern to the building certification authorities in relation to the performance of private certifiers, and request the Board review its complaint management process to ensure home owners are able to lodge complaints and be confident that such complaints will be investigated accordingly.

Carried

#### **Resolution 76**

East Arnhem Regional Council NT

That the National General Assembly supports and encourages councils that represent discrete Indigenous Communities to network and workshop while at the NGA.

Carried unanimously

### **Resolution 77**

Blacktown City Council NSW

That this National General Assembly calls on the Australian Government to regulate all commercial airport operations (such as the proposed Western Sydney airport at Badgerys Creek) to ensure that flight activities over metropolitan areas are subject to curfews which protect the amenity of residential areas, especially at night, except in case of emergency.

Carried

## **Resolution 78**

Wyndham City Council VIC

That the Commonwealth provide adequate funding for NDIS to ensure that children with developmental delay have timely, comprehensive and well-integrated early intervention assessment and support services.

Carried unanimously

#### **Resolution B5**

**Tumut Shire Council NSW** 

That the National General Assembly support the establishment of the very fast train network in south eastern Australia both to enhance regional development and to compensate for the downturn in the mining industry.

Carried

#### **Resolution B8**

Wellington Council NSW

That the National General Assembly call on local government entities across Australia to ensure that water and sewer assets do not become part of any future privatisation agenda by state governments.

Carried

## **Resolution B10**

**Tumut Shire Council** 

That the National General Assembly call on Federal and state governments to adopt a strategic approach for increased planting of forests in Australia.

Carried unanimously

## **Resolution B13**

Leichhardt NSW

That the National General Assembly call on the Federal Government to fund local government to facilitate education of children and young people on respectful relationships, applying a whole of community approach, which is the key to creating generational change to end Domestic and family Violence.

Carried

## **Resolution B15**

Leichhardt NSW

That the National General Assembly call on the Federal Government to ensure National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness includes continued provision of health services for homeless persons in specialist homeless clinics.

Carried unanimously

## **Resolution B25**

Marrickville Council NSW

That the National General Assembly of Local Government call on the leaders of the two major parties, to immediately intervene to ensure there are no forced amalgamations amongst NSW Local Government Councils noting the concerns with the manner in which the NSW Government has managed the entire NSW Local Government amalgamations process and the way in which the NSW Government has misled and ignored the people and local communities of NSW.