



New South Wales Government

## **Local Government Act 1993 NOTICE OF HEARINGS Shellharbour City Council Public Inquiry**

The Minister for Local Government, the Hon Paul Lynch MP, has appointed Mr Richard Colley as Commissioner to hold a Public Inquiry under section 740 of the *Local Government Act 1993* into Shellharbour City Council.

A preliminary hearing will be held on Monday, 21 April 2008 commencing at 10:00 am. The preliminary hearing will be conducted at Kurrajong Hall 2, Ribbonwood Centre, Princes Highway, Dapto.

Further public hearings will be held after the closing date for submissions. Details of those hearings will be announced at the preliminary hearing and posted on the Inquiry Website.

Hearings are open to the public and will generally commence at 10.00 am and finish at 4.00 pm (other than the preliminary hearing) unless otherwise determined by the Commissioner.

Submissions are invited from persons with an interest in putting forward points of view relating to the Terms of Reference. Written submissions should be forwarded to the Office of the Commissioner, Shellharbour City Council Public Inquiry, Locked Bag 3030, NOWRA NSW 2541. Submissions may also be emailed to [shellharbourinquiry@dlg.nsw.gov.au](mailto:shellharbourinquiry@dlg.nsw.gov.au) or faxed to 02 4428 4199.

Submissions should be received by **5 pm on 28 April 2008**.

There are protections available to persons making a submission to the Inquiry against potential liability for defamation in respect of matters contained in the submission provided the material is **relevant to the Terms of Reference**.

The Terms of Reference of the Inquiry and an Information Paper on the conduct of the Inquiry are available on the Inquiry website at [www.dlg.nsw.gov.au/shellharbour](http://www.dlg.nsw.gov.au/shellharbour). Further enquiries regarding the Inquiry and the hearings can be made to the Office of the Commissioner, telephone (02) 4428 4200.