**Central NSW Joint Organisation Welcomes New Cabinet Ministers**

The Chair of the Central NSW Joint Organisation Cr John Medcalf has welcomed the announcement by Premier, Dominic Perrottet of new cabinet ministers.

“We are delighted to see some of our region’s long-term friends and colleagues included in the line-up,” said Cr Medcalf.

“It is particularly pleasing to see hard working local members from regional NSW with a seat at the cabinet table,” said Cr Medcalf.

“Representatives including Stef Cooke, Wendy Tuckerman, Bronnie Taylor, Kevin Anderson, Dugald Saunders and Sam Farraway are all well acquainted with the issues that confront regional communities.”

“Together with Deputy Premier, Paul Toole as Minister for Regional NSW and Minister for Police these newly appointed Ministers will provide a strong voice for the people of regional NSW,” said Cr Medcalf.

“The CNSWJO Board look forward to meeting with these new Ministers in 2022 to discuss key issues for the Central NSW region including health services, water security, flood management, regional transport and roads and the myriad of issues that Local Government deal with on a daily basis in the interest of our communities.”

“With the recent release of the review of the first term of Joint Organisations, this region is very pleased for the opportunity to work with Wendy Tuckerman in her role of Minister for Local Government. As a former Mayor of a regional community, Wendy is a great advocate for Local Government and understands the value of Councils working together.”

“The Mayors of this region have a long and proud history of working cooperatively to solve our issues and look forward to working collaboratively with their State Government counterparts,” said Cr Medcalf.

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