



CENTRAL NSW  
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## MEDIA RELEASE

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### **Local communities the big winner in the federal election**

The Mayors of Central NSW met Thursday 26 May and discussed the Federal election result including its implications and opportunities.

“Across the nation voters called for a more locally responsive Federal Government,” said Cr Kevin Beatty, Mayor of Cabonne Council and Chair of Central NSW Joint Organisation.

“The approach of many of the successful independents was all about local representation. We saw local government leaders winning as independents, ousting high profile party candidates who were parachuted in,” said Cr Beatty

“The community are clearly calling for a reset of leadership and this region is well positioned to be part of that conversation,” said Cr Beatty

“With close to 33% of the vote, the Labor Government, our Federal Government, has clearly been told it must represent every community in the nation,” said Cr Beatty

“Partisan politics, pork barrelling and taking the electorate for granted are things of the past,” said Cr Beatty

“This is where the Mayors of our region will become even more important with their deep knowledge of local issues and opportunities,” said Cr Beatty

“The Central NSWJO Board advocated in support of the National Farmers’ policy for regional precincts including in our area. Now we must work with the government to ensure every community gets the benefit,” said Cr Beatty

“Along with my fellow Mayors I will be going to Canberra in June and will be seeking meetings to progress this and other initiatives including aged care and telecommunications in the interest of our communities,” said Cr Beatty

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