

## MEDIA RELEASE

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### A partnership renewed

Central NSW Joint Organisation and Regional Development Australia Central West renewed their Memorandum of Understanding at their recent meeting at Parliament House in Canberra.

“This collaboration is the only one its kind in Australia. Importantly, by working together we drive efficiencies, reduce duplication and optimise programs,” said Cr Kevin Beatty, Chair of the Central NSW Joint Organisation and Mayor of Cabonne Council.

“For example RDA Central West is the home of data for our region. We rely on them to keep the Our Placemats project up to date. Every one of our eleven communities gets 48 data sets that takes their temperature for everything from mental health to internet connectivity to housing affordability. Informed communities are better advocates and can turn the dial themselves on their priorities,” said Cr Kevin Beatty.



Signing of Memorandum of Understanding,

I-r Cr Ruth Fagan Chair of Central West RDA, The Hon Kristy McBain Minister for Regional Devt Local Government and Territories, Cr Kevin Beatty, Chair CNSWJO

“Advocating together is also very important. RDA Central West attends the CNSWJO Board meetings where we have an opportunity to sing from the same song sheet about the important matters for our region,” said Cr Ruth Fagan, Chair of RDA Central West.

“Having the cooperation in this region recognised and having the Hon Kristy McBain Minister for Regional Development Local Government and Territories, present at the renewal of our MoU was welcomed by the Mayors on the region,” said Cr Kevin Beatty.

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