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## Northern Sydney announces its top regional actions

The Northern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (NSROC) has set the scene for the NSW and Federal Governments with the release of its "**NSROC Regional Priorities – Key Actions for Northern Sydney**" Plan today.

The Plan sets out the key actions which reflect the views of the seven member councils represented by NSROC including: Hornsby, Hunter's Hill, Ku-ring-gai, Lane Cove, North Sydney, Ryde and Willoughby.

The Plan sets out seven priority areas including:

1. critical transport infrastructure projects including completion of the North West Rail link, the Chatswood-Parramatta rail link and the F3-M2 freeway link;
2. reforming the state bus transport monopolies to allow financially viable local community transport services ;
3. provide for ageing including meeting the demand for aged care homes and upgrading community facilities to suit ageing needs;
4. maintaining open space and community facilities in increasingly populated areas and opening State government land sales to public scrutiny;
5. reinvigorate existing business centres and commercial parks into more vibrant areas with nighttime economies and cultural hubs;
6. develop a regional sustainable waste treatment and resource recovery system; and
7. encourage regional collaboration of NSROC councils to maximize opportunities and savings.

The Plan identifies nearly 80 actions: around one third directly or indirectly involve regional cooperation between NSROC councils including strategic planning and delivery of services, and the remainder are actions required by other levels of government.

NSROC President and Hornsby Mayor, Nick Berman, said he was pleased with the efforts of member councils in coming to an agreed position on critical issues.

*This Regional plan highlights the areas in which new solutions must be found and richer partnerships forged.*

*Our region is a clear economic performer, a sought-after home, and a prosperous community.*

*This plan communicates these aspirations to our partners in State and Federal Governments and shows our willingness to work collaboratively to achieve these changes as we grow.*

NSROC and its member councils will use this document to inform the State Government's "Regional Action Plan for Northern Sydney" which is currently under development.

For further details, and to download a copy of this report and previous reports, go to the NSROC website at [www.nsroc.com.au](http://www.nsroc.com.au)

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