

**Item No:** 0.0  
**Title:** Notice of Motion - Warnervale Airport Hub  
Certainty  
**Department:** Councillor

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12 August 2019 Ordinary Council Meeting

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Councillor Greg Best has given notice that at the Ordinary Council Meeting to be held on 12 August 2019 he will move the following motion:



- 1 That having regard to the outstanding contribution the Central Coast Aero Club (CCAC) and associated airport user groups provide to our Community, Council now seek to provide assurances of continued operation through reviewing the current Airport Lease Agreement with a view to fast tracking its renewal, subject to agreement between the parties.**
- 2 That Council notes recent concerning media commentary and advice from CCAC that the 1996 WAR Act may now have been triggered, seriously constraining the CCAC's activities, placing in doubt the operations of our Central Coast Youth Air League and disrupting activities of our various emergency services organisations.**
- 3 That Council recognises the State Government's original intention of this now 23 year old Legislation was not to cause unnecessary difficulty or hardship to our Community.**
- 4 That as Council does not have the legislative jurisdiction to intervene, Council now directs the Mayor to seek an urgent meeting with the Minister of a delegation of Representatives from CCAC, the Youth Air League, Emergency Services and Senior Council Officers with a view to working through the key issues at hand.**

**Councillors Note**

Colleagues, I believe it is incumbent upon Council to give our long standing Youth Air League & CCAC certainty around their future. Through recent media comments and matters in Chamber, the Community is now confused and outraged at Council's lack of consultation. As you are more than aware, I have sought on no fewer than five occasions through formal Rescission Motions to provide our Community with a consultative process.

All I have sought is to gauge the Community's view, we are well aware of individual views in the Chamber, however we have not yet provided the common courtesy of 'formal consultation'.

I do appreciate that the \$450,000.00 Warnervale Airport Master Plan has from time to time been informally seen on our website as a token of consultation.

Now to assist Councillors and indeed our Community I am attaching a direct link to this Master Plan that was developed by Staff under the good guidance of the then Administrator. Not only is Council unable to legislatively deal with the War Act, it would appear to be politically paralysed. From my experience over the years, I have learnt that the Community will not stand for this and ultimately will send a very harsh message at the upcoming 2020 Election. As you will note in the Motion, I am simply seeking the Minister's guidance and intervention to assist our Community. In tandem with this, Council showing genuine intent while providing some certainty.

This can simply be achieved through developing the Lease Agreement with CCAC subject to the current Ministers WAR Act resolution / assistance.

Draft Central Coast Aviation Hub Concept Plan – Proposed Public Consultation  
Part 1 of 3 [LINK](#)

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Please see the Warnervale Airport (Restrictions) Bill [LINK](#).

The preamble / first page by the then State Member for Wyong is compelling reading. It highlights the political climate that existed when this document was authored and still exists today. In my view our community is simply fed up with this style of tiring testosterone politics.

**Attachments**

*Nil.*