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Joint Standing Committee on Constitutional  
Recognition of Local Government  
Department of House of Representatives  
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AUSTRALIA

**Submission Number: 231**  
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Dear Sir/Madam

Council at its meeting held 11 February 2013 considered a report on the Constitutional Recognition of Local Government and resolved:

**23/13** Resolved on the motion of Clr Miles, seconded Clr Bennett that Council write to the Joint Select Committee and reaffirms its commitment to constitutional recognition for local government and a referendum to pursue this important change.

Council had previously at its meeting on 14 March 2011 resolved:

**60/11** Resolved on the motion of Clr Astridge, seconded Clr Frame that Council:

1. Declare its support for the Constitutional financial recognition of local government in the Australian Constitution so that the Federal Government has the power to fund local government directly and also for inclusion of local government in any new Preamble to the Constitution if one is proposed.
2. Calls on all political parties to support a referendum by 2013 to change the Constitution to achieve this recognition.
3. Write to the Prime Minister, the Leader of the Opposition and the Member for North Sydney the Hon. Joe Hockey MP advising of Councils' support for recognition and a referendum by 2013.

It is in Council's best interests to support the Constitutional Referendum

Yours faithfully

Barry Smith  
GENERAL MANAGER