

## Media Statement Daryl Maguire

Legal advisors acting For Daryl Maguire continue to review the Long-delayed report into Operation Keppel, delivered 5 years after Daryl Maguire gave evidence as a witness in Operation Dasha 13 July 2018.

Let it not be forgotten that during his time representing the people of Wagga and region he worked tirelessly for his constituents. Indeed, he was described in evidence as a dog with a bone, a vociferous advocate for the electorate, or a pain in the arse when it came to getting improvements for the Wagga Electorate.

The list of projects which occurred during Daryl Maguire's tenure or he secured funding is very long and includes , Lockhart Hospital, roads Bridges ,Kapooka in Particular , new school at Estella and Godara in Tumut, new police stations in Wagga and Adelong , Emily Gardens The Rock , Wagga Court house , sunflower House, improved Levi banks, cycle tracks and Cycle facility at Ashmont , new Ambulance station Wagga , Radiotherapy , Hospice , new pool upgrades Lockhart and Adelong PCYC ,just to mention a few.

The decision to approve the ACTA partnership was made by Mike Baird as Premier to support the Down the line World Trap Shoot and confirm in bricks and Mortar that the National ACTA Headquarters was based permanently in Wagga, it was supported by Minister Ayres and Berejiklian as Treasurer directed to fund the project.

Funding for this project was reviewed by Infrastructure NSW who determined that it met the relevant criteria, and then independently reviewed by the Investment Appraisal Unit. The evidence before ICAC was that there was no interference by anyone with the independent evaluation process. The ICAC evidence was that at the end of the day the process was robust, and a sound decision and there was no evidence that Mr Maguire or anyone else tried to manipulate the independent process.

Likewise, the Riverina Conservatorium of music, funding was to secure a permanent home for the much-loved Con, which was soon to be homeless without a dollar to bless themselves with. One Bean counter in Government suggested two surplus classrooms at a local school should be sufficient and appropriate.

The Conservatorium approached Mr Maguire for assistance he identified a surplus premises owned by NSW Government which were suitable to house the Con.

The Project was fully evaluated by the relevant government departments and agencies and was found to warrant Government support for the benefit of Wagga and region. There is no evidence that Daryl Maguire advocated for this project for any personnel benefit.

The redevelopment of Wagga Base Hospital and Tumut Hospital has been the subject of some comment the upgrade of these hospitals was long overdue.

Decision's relating to the funding and upgrades of these hospitals were made with department support. Daryl Maguire's efforts, tenacity and sheer dogged determination fighting for funding and the very best planning outcomes for these communities resulted in the major upgrades you see today. Again, his support was entirely without any expectation of any personnel benefit.

Indeed, at the opening of Wagga Base Hospital Maguire said when quoting Christopher Wren, "reader if it's his monument you seek, look around you", and in typical Maguire style he said, No One person can claim this as his or her achievement, but together all of you played a part in this and can claim we did this together.

Daryl Maguire is proud of his many achievements serving the electorate of Wagga and NSW and strongly denies all allegations referring to the projects above.

Media . !!! During the past days there have been serious invasions of privacy, not only to Daryl Maguire and his immediate family but alarmingly the stalking of young women going about their daily routine, harassment of employees and intimidation of clients of his business operations.

There have been three traffic near collisions caused by media doing unsafe u turns in front of oncoming cars, parking unsafely, speeding, and following young women to their work at 5 am on at least two occasions.

Of particular concerns is VW Grey Touareg rego BS 20H stalking, unsafe u turns, speeding, Mitsubishi triton VIC rego ADH 862 parking unsafely, and illegally flying Drones above his rural agistment property contrary to regulations, which in turn spooked the valuable horses, again raising concerns from agistees .

Further media continue to trespass on government owned rail corridors which again is unsafe and illegal.

We ask in all reasonableness, that you desist from your appalling behaviour towards these people and your unsafe reckless activities.

The presumption of innocence is the foundation of our legal system and should be respected by all.

The legal advisors and Daryl Maguire will make no further comment nor debate the ICAC report with media or give interviews as such statements and interviews could affect future legal action that Daryl Maguire and his team may take or respond to.

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