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### **Centroc meets with Federal parliamentarians in Canberra**

Centroc will hold its annual meeting with Federal parliamentarians in Canberra later this month.

Deputy Chair of Centroc and Mayor of Bathurst Cr Gary Rush said the delegation of 14 Mayors will meet with key Federal Government Ministers at Parliament House on Thursday 24 November.

The meeting is an opportunity to be briefed on the Government's priorities for regional Australia and present as a group, the items at the top of the Centroc Councils' advocacy list.

Cr Rush said the meeting has been supported by the three Federal MPs who represent the Centroc area; Member for Calare Andrew Gee, Member for Riverina and Minister for Small Business Michael McCormack and Member for Hume and Assistant Minister for Cities and Digital Transformation Angus Taylor along with Senator Fiona Nash, the Minister for Regional Development, Local government and Territories and Regional Communications.

"The opportunity for Councils to have an audience with ministers in Canberra is invaluable in helping Councils gain a better understanding of the priorities of the Federal Government and for the Government to hear what the issues are in regional NSW.

"Issues like health and education, transport links and water security are on local agendas and there is always a need for investment in infrastructure to support regional economic development.

"We have challenges and constraints that we need to tackle, and the meetings in Canberra allow us to present these on behalf of our communities. We are able identify the projects that could assist each of our Councils in delivering on priorities that will make a difference locally and across the region.

"Centroc has been meeting in Canberra annually for a number of years and we also hold similar meetings at a State level as it is vital that we work collectively with all levels of government in our efforts to grow and develop our region," Cr Rush said.

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