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I CERTIFY under section 161 of the Fair Work
(Registered Organisations) Act 2009 that the pages
herein numbered 1 to 45 both inclusive contain a
true and correct copy of the registered rules of the
Local Government and Shires Association of New South Wales.

DELEGATE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER
FAIR WORK COMMISSION

[IMPORTANT: Enquiries about these rules or other rules relating to this organisation which are currently in force may be directed to any office of the Fair Work Commission.]

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OBJECTS

“SA NSW” shall mean the Shires Association of New South Wales, an organisation of employers registered under the Act (until the Amalgamation Date).

- (b) Unless the contrary intention appears:
- the singular shall include the plural and vice versa, and a reference to one gender shall include a reference to the other gender;
 - headings are for convenience and do not affect meaning;
 - schedules shall form part of these Rules; and
 - a reference to any particular statute or regulation shall include any successor to or substitute legislation or regulation, as the case may be.

OBJECTS

4. The objects of the Association shall be in New South Wales and elsewhere:
- (a) to encourage, promote, protect and foster an efficient and effective autonomous, democratic system of Local Government elected by and responsible to local communities with its position constitutionally guaranteed and with adequate resources including revenue from State and Commonwealth Governments;
 - (b) to promote, maintain and protect the interests, rights and privileges of Local Government in New South Wales and of the constituent members of the Association;
 - (c) to encourage and assist Local Government to seek out, determine, assess and respond to the needs and aspirations of its constituents;
 - (d) to encourage, assist, promote and foster the achievement and maintenance of the highest level of integrity, justice, competence, effectiveness and efficiency of Local Government;
 - (e) to develop, encourage, promote, foster and maintain consultation and co-operation between councils and Local, State and Commonwealth Governments and their instrumentalities;
 - (f) to develop, encourage, promote, foster and maintain the financial and economic well-being and advancement of Local Government and for such purposes to undertake, establish, acquire, conduct or dispose of any business, enterprise, undertaking or venture which in the opinion of the Association is necessary, desirable or convenient;
 - (g) to represent the members of the Association and Local Government generally in their dealings with State and Commonwealth Governments, with statutory and other corporations, with the media and with the public;

POWERS

- (h) to promote, support and encourage Local Government at a State and national level;
- (i) to provide an industrial relations service to members including:
 - (i) representing the interests of members in industrial matters before courts and tribunals;
 - (ii) assisting in negotiations relating to the settlement of disputes between members and their employees;
 - (iii) representing the interests of members in negotiating the establishment of and/or variation of industrial awards and agreements;
 - (iv) promoting training programs aimed at enhancing the performance of Local Government.
- (j) to undertake or promote any activity which the Board determines to be for the benefit and/or interest of members and local government in New South Wales.

POWERS

5. The Association is empowered:

- (a) to purchase, take on lease or in exchange, hire, invest in and otherwise acquire any real and personal property and any interest therein and any rights or privileges and in particular any land, buildings, easements, machinery, plant, shares, debentures, mortgages and securities;
- (b) to enter into with any council or government or statutory authority, or any incorporated or unincorporated body or any association of persons, any arrangement, joint venture, union of interest or field of co-operation intended directly or indirectly to advance the interests or objects of the Association;
- (c) to apply for, promote and obtain any statute, order, regulation, ordinance or other authorisation or enactment which may seem calculated directly or indirectly to benefit the interests or objects of the Association and to oppose any bills, proceedings or applications which may seem calculated directly or indirectly to prejudice the Association's interests or objects;
- (d) to construct, improve, maintain, develop, manage, carry out or control any buildings and other works intended directly or indirectly to advance the Association's interests and to contribute to, subsidise or otherwise assist or take part in the construction, improvement, maintenance, development, working, management, carrying out or control thereof;