

# Capability Statement Government



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# SUBMISSIONS AND ADVICE

Whether you are an individual, business or industry group, we can help you to prepare submissions to government on matters that affect your interests. We have prepared submissions to government for an industry organisation to protect critical industrial assets from encroaching sensitive development.

If you need access to information we have experience in preparing freedom of information applications to government agencies. Particularly in complex matters such as major State projects that are politically driven, we can assist you in rebutting the complicated arguments raised by government agencies to refuse disclosure of information.

We can also help you with the form and content of correspondence with local and State government agencies to effectively communicate your concerns and open a dialogue with key decision makers.

- Made submissions on an Activity Centre Plan on behalf of a property developer to dispute the proposed zoning and permissible land uses within a marina and making urgent change of use applications.
- Assisted a local government with leasing a portion of its landfill site to a company for the purpose of sorting construction and demolition waste, as well as advising it in relation to any possible liability that could arise from the leasing arrangement.
- Lodged submissions on behalf of a group of residents in relation to the creation of a special entertainment precinct and amendments to the Noise Regulations which would allow higher levels of amplified music to be played.
- Made submissions to the local government, and the Minister for Lands in relation to the closure and realignment of a right of way in order to allow a supermarket development to proceed.
- Made submissions on behalf of a community group to oppose a mixed-use development in a residential area on the basis that it was incompatible with the local amenity, significantly exceeded the plot ratio and permissible building heights.
- Made submissions to oppose a structure plan for an industrial area, specifically in relation to the road network layout.
- Made submissions and deputations to the local government to oppose a waste transfer facility which would have significant dust, noise and odour impacts on the locality and is incompatible with the local planning framework.
- Lodged submissions on behalf of private landowners affected by a structure plan which resulted in a large proportion of their land being used for public open space and other community uses and thereby being undevelopable for residential uses.
- Advised local councillors on possible conflicts of interests arising under the *Local Government Act 1995*.
- Prepared a legal strategy for a community group which it could pursue to protect its property interests in light of the local government's strategic plan for sea level rise and coastal erosion.
- Acted for an individual affected by the local government draining stormwater through her property which was causing erosion.
- Assisted a company in negotiations with the local government and the Metropolitan Redevelopment Authority to request that the Department of Education purchase its land which had been designated under the Wungong Urban Water Master Plan in a way which prevented it from being developable.



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