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ITEM: 47 **Transfer of On-Street Parking from State Government to Local Government.**

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REPORT:

On 31 January, 2001, a meeting was convened at the offices of the Local Government and Shires Association of NSW, 215 Clarence Street, Sydney. The meeting was attended by Councillors and senior staff of the 52 councils that currently have Patrol Officers in their Local Government area.

The meeting related to the transfer of On-Street Parking from the State Government to Local Government as of 1 July, 2001.

The meeting of 31 January concluded with the following principles:

1. In principal support for Local Government taking over function and management of on-street parking from State Government as of 1 July, 2001.
2. Sources of revenue collected by Patrol Officers be received and retained by Local Government following an agreement with the State.
3. Local Government endeavour to accommodate Patrol Officers who wish to come across to Local Government on terms offered by the Local Government body.
4. The State Government recognise the responsibility for those Patrol Officers who do not wish to come across under the Local Government offer.
5. Local Government recognise the difference between Local Government areas, in particular, country areas where Patrol Officers are shared and where special arrangements need to be made.
6. Local Government be involved in the determination of fee setting for fines.

On 5 April, 2001, correspondence was received from the Local Government and Shires Association of NSW relating to information pertaining to revenues and expenditures for Patrol Officers in the Hawkesbury Local Government Area.

No of Infringements Paid	1,186
No of Infringements Issued	1,543
Value of Paid Infringements	\$94,697
No of PPOs	2
Estimated cost per annum	\$81,202
Infringement Processing Costs	\$26,617
Total	\$107,819

Following this information, discussions and negotiations between the Local Government and Shires Association and the State concluded on 24 April, 2001. In relation to the transfer, the Local Government and Shire Association of NSW proposed to seek the approval of Local Government areas at a meeting of Councillors and staff on 24 May, 2001.

The Local Government and Shires Association put forward, at the meeting held on 24 May, a strong commitment to assisting the Government transfer of the street parking function subject to a number of provisions. The meeting was attended by the Director of Community and Corporate Services. The provisions were unanimously supported by the elected representatives at the meeting and are provided as an attachment to this supplementary report.

It is recommended that subject to the Government's acceptance of the provisions that the Associations confirm their full assistance in negotiations with the State in relation to the transfer of car parking responsibilities to Local Government.

RECOMMENDATION:

That subject to the State Government's acceptance of the provisions set down by the Local Government and Shires Association of NSW that the transfer of street parking enforcement to Local Government be supported.

ATTACHMENTS:

AT-1 Draft copy of Provisions of the Association on a without prejudice basis in relation to the transfer of street parking enforcement to Local Government.

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