



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### ***Keep Up, Get Ahead, Back Ourselves***

Council is entering a new phase of the community consultation process by launching a community survey to gain vital information on the community's ideas for the future delivery of Council Services.

The Survey, which is being circulated by mailbox drop, is also available on Council's website. The survey asks questions regarding what services are important to the community, both from the current level of service and future programs. The results of this survey, along with the Community Strategic Plan and other asset management plans will guide the future development of service delivery and how these services may be funded.

Council's Mayor, Cr. Scott Ferguson said: "It is a great opportunity for the community to have a say about their choice of services in the community and that of future generations.

The survey is a vital step in Council's consultation program on the proposed 15% Special Rate Variation, known as *Keep Up, Get Ahead, Back Ourselves*. The next step will be a series of township and village meetings where the community will be presented a number of options on how services will be delivered and their financial implications.

"I strongly encourage the community to fill in the survey and tell us what services are important and how satisfied the community is with the current provision of services", said Cr Ferguson.

Survey forms are also available from the Council's Office or can be downloaded from Council's website [www.blayney.nsw.gov.au](http://www.blayney.nsw.gov.au) . Surveys must be submitted by 11 October 2013.

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