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Dear Mr Robertson

The Minister for Local Government, the Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, has initiated an independent review of the framework for dealing with councillor misconduct in New South Wales. I have been appointed by the Minister to carry out the review.

The review is examining the current administrative framework under which complaints about councillor misconduct are managed, with the aim of identifying possible areas for improvement. The review will include an examination of similar frameworks used in other jurisdictions for any lessons they may offer for improving the New South Wales framework.

The review's terms of reference are available [here](#).

As part of my review, I have issued a consultation paper to facilitate an understanding of the current framework and to invite submissions identifying areas for improvement, together with suggestions for the practical application of those improvements. The consultation paper is available [here](#).

You are invited to make a submission to the review. Information on how to make submissions is contained in the consultation paper. Submissions should be made before **28 March 2022**.

Should you require further information or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of Local Government's Council Governance Team on 02 4428 4100 or by email at olg@olg.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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