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Draper Welcomes Opposition Interest in Tamworth

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Member for Tamworth, Peter Draper, has welcomed the State Opposition's new-found interest in Tamworth with the visit this week by Opposition Leaders John Brogden and Andrew Stoner this week.

"I am delighted that the Opposition is beginning to realise the importance of regional areas such as Tamworth, and has made the effort to come and talk about issues of concern to them" said Mr Draper.

"It is only unfortunate that they didn't take the time to discuss any local issues with me while they were here. I would have been very pleased to get their support on issues as diverse as the Unsworth Bus Review, Native Vegetation, West Tamworth School and the Ardglen Tunnel to name a few" said Mr Draper.

"For whatever reason, these important issues were left off their agenda for this tour" said Mr Draper.

"I think they have missed a wonderful opportunity to show that the Opposition does recognise the needs of regional NSW and that it is prepared to fight the battle alongside the Independents to improve country services".

"In the meantime, I look forward to their on-going support in opposing the proposed gaming tax rise and the reduction of our rail service," said Mr Draper.

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