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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- The purpose of this report is put into place the mechanism required to expedite the selection of community representatives for the Wollondilly Independent Hearing and Assessment Panel
- It is recommended that:
 - Council notes the General Manager has commenced the process to implement the Advertising; Selection and Appointment of the community representatives.

REPORT

The Government recently introduced legislation requiring all councils in the Greater Sydney Region and Wollongong to have independent hearing and assessment panel (IHAPs) in place by 1 March 2018.

The Department of Planning and Environment (Department) is working with councils to establish or transition existing IHAPs to the new arrangements.

A requirement of the IHAPs is the need to have a community representative amongst its members. Council's with wards must appoint a community representative for each ward to the IHAP.

The Department has prepared guidance material to assist with the identification and recruitment of community representatives.

It is proposed that Council note the General Manager has initiated this process to meet the 1 March 2018 deadline.

CONSULTATION

Department of Planning and Environment.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The financial implications are still being assessed however Council has no discretion in this matter.

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ATTACHMENTS INCLUDED IN A SEPARATE BOOKLET

1. Guidelines for the selection of Independent Hearing and Assessment Panel (IHAP) community representatives

RECOMMENDATION

That Council notes the General Manager has commenced the process to implement the Advertising; Selection and Appointment of the community representatives for the Wollondilly Independent Hearing and Assessment Panel.