

**ITEM B NOTICE OF MOTION - COUNCILLOR COLACINO - DEER CULLING**

Councillor Colacino has submitted the following Notice of Motion –

“I formally move that Council –

- 1 Write to Local Members of Government, Lee Evans, Ryan Park, Paul Scully and the Parliamentary Secretary for the Illawarra, Mr Gareth Ward, to highlight the growing problem the introduced deer species are having on the Illawarra.
- 2 Inform the Members that due to the Escarpment Protection Zone, the Water Catchment Area as well as the National Parks that surround Wollongong, the population of feral deer within our LGA is rapidly growing at an unmanageable rate.
- 3 Highlight within the letter the damage the deer are causing to the local residential, and wider natural environment as well as exposing road users to increased risk due to the expanding deer population.
- 4 Ask them to recognise the need for an increase in the State Government’s financial commitment to a wider and more comprehensive humane culling program.
- 5 Suggest that the enhanced financial assistance could be managed through Council and the Local Land Services.
- 6 A report, in the form of a briefing, come to Council no later than 5 November, that details the responses to the letters written and what actions, by State Government, Local Land Services and Local Council, can and will be taken in the future to further help eradicate the growing wild deer problem.”