



Vincent Street
CESSNOCK 2325.

9 July 2008

To All Councillors

You are hereby notified that the next Ordinary Meeting of the Council will be held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, 16 July 2008, immediately following the conclusion of the City Planning Committee Meeting, for the purpose of transacting the undermentioned business.

**B R MORTOMORE
GENERAL MANAGER**

AGENDA:

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16 JULY 2008.**

OFFICERS' REPORT

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 36/2008

SUBJECT: INVESTIGATION COSTS

This report has been prepared in response to a question from Councillor Olsen regarding the costs of the investigation leading to the dismissal of a former Council Director.

The initial investigation cost \$89,331.16, made up of \$62,837.16 legal costs, including Barristers advice, and \$26,494.00 for various expert investigations.

The followup investigation cost \$28,054.21 comprising \$3,370.20 legal costs and \$24,684.01 for the IAB investigation.

The legal costs in the initial investigation did include the taking of a considerable amount of evidence by the legal advisers, a task that was in part carried out by the IAB in the follow up investigation.

RECOMMENDATION that the information be noted.

To: **Ordinary Council Meeting**
16 July 2008

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GENERAL MANAGER
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