



19 March 2024

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA:

- (1) **MAYORAL MINUTES**
MM4/2024 National Australia Bank Branch Closure - Cessnock2

Mayoral Minute

Report No. MM4/2024

General Manager's Unit



SUBJECT: *NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK BRANCH CLOSURE - CESSNOCK*

RESPONSIBLE OFFICER: *Councillor - Jay Suvaal*

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council condemns the decision by NAB to close its Cessnock Branch on 12 June 2024;
2. That Council notes the significant impact this will have on their customers in the Cessnock LGA, especially the elderly and disabled;
3. That Council calls on NAB to reverse this decision and commit to keeping the Cessnock Branch open;
4. That Council writes to NAB notifying them of this request; and
5. That Council writes to Dan Repacholi MP, Federal Member for Hunter, seeking advice on what more can be done to stop big banks from closing branches in regional communities.

Council notes the closure of the Cessnock Branch of the NAB Bank on Wednesday 12 June 2024.

This closure will see jobs gone from our community while the bank's customers will be forced to travel further afield to do their banking in person.

The Cessnock community has long supported the NAB Bank. I am calling on the NAB to support the people of Cessnock by urgently reversing its decision and committing to keeping our local branch open.

ENCLOSURES

There are no enclosures for this report.