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North Western Library Co-Operative (NWLC)  
69 Dubbo Street,  
Warren New South Wales 2824  
Attention: Darren Arthur, NWLC Executive Officer.

Dear Mr Aurthur

### **Consideration for Membership to North Western Library Co-Operative**

As discussed, Warrumbungle Shire Council (WSC) requests the North Western Library Co-Operative to consider allowing WSC to join the North Western Library Co-Operative as a partner Council for the provision of Library Services within the shire.

Further, if NWLC agrees to this request, that WSC be provided details of likely terms and conditions, agreements and indicative costs of such acceptance.

As you may be aware, Warrumbungle Shire Council (WSC) has been undertaking a review of Library Services delivered within the shire to assess a number of options:

1. Standalone service provision eg Gunnedah
2. Shift membership from Macquarie Regional Library to another Regional Library such as Central Northern Regional Library – Tamworth,
3. Remain with Macquarie Regional Library and consider the service points at Baradine, Binnaway and Mendooran to be serviced directly from Coonabarabran Branch, or
4. Seek to partner with another Council or Councils such as the North Western Library Co-Operative.

WSC currently provide Library Services (see attached statistics for 2019/20 and 2020/21 YTD) across an area of over 12,000 sq kms utilising:

- Three main branches Coonabarabran (pop 3174), Coolah (pop 1278) and Dunedoo (pop 1253), and
- Three service points at Baradine (pop 762), Binnaway (pop 777) and Mendooran (pop 450), but as mentioned in 3 above these three sites are being considered for be service delivery directly from Coonabarabran Branch.

Warrumbungle Shire Council appreciates NWLC's consideration of the request to join and is ready to provide any additional information to assist in this matter.

Please don't hesitate to contact Council's Kim Parker as required on this matter.

Yours sincerely



**KIM PARKER**  
**DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES**

*Encl. WSC Statistics*