

Statement regarding Daryl Maguire

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I was shocked by the events of Friday and I spoke to Mr Maguire late that afternoon to express in the strongest possible terms my deep disappointment.

He has let down his constituents, the people of NSW and the NSW Liberal Party.

He has already resigned from his position as Parliamentary Secretary and has stood aside from the NSW Liberal party room.

Over the weekend, I have spoken with the State Director of the NSW Liberal Party and asked him to seek Mr Maguire's resignation from the Party. I am advised Mr Maguire has resigned his membership.

We will also be bringing forward the opening of nominations for the seat of Wagga Wagga so that an appropriate new candidate for the Liberal Party can be preselected.

Whilst it is for Mr Maguire alone to determine whether he stays on as the elected Member until next March, I would encourage him to think carefully as to whether he can effectively represent the people of Wagga Wagga from here on in.