



PARLIAMENT OF NEW SOUTH WALES
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

FIRST SESSION OF THE FIFTY-SEVENTH PARLIAMENT

Community Recognition Statement

11 May 2021

CHRIS SMITH

Ms SONIA HORNERY (Wallsend) :

Some people just love their job, and Chris Smith certainly loved working around trains.

Chris joined the NSW Government Railways in 1972 as a junior clerk. He went on to work in various administrative roles such as HR, financial and logistic duties.

In the late 1980's he met Angela and in 1989, they married and moved to Carrington and went on to have 3 kids.

Chris was able to transfer to Newcastle in 1990 and began working in the admin area in Newcastle City before transferring to the Cardiff Warehouse.

After working in a number of roles around the Hunter and Central Coast, Chris was appointed to the position of Station Manager at Beresfield Station in 2011. He held that position right up until his recent retirement.

Chris' plans for retirement include time with his grandchildren and some travel. He is a rugby tragic and dreams of joining the Wallabies on a Spring Tour.

He is also a staunch supporter of the Newcastle Jets and will spend some time following them around as well.

Thank you Chris for your dedication and 48 years of service to the community. Enjoy your retirement.