



PARLIAMENT OF NEW SOUTH WALES
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

FIRST SESSION OF THE FIFTY-SEVENTH PARLIAMENT

Community Recognition Statement

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MARTIN NESBITT

Ms SONIA HORNER (Wallsend) :

Day to day, Martin Nesbitt of Shortland works as a traffic controller. Having to travel for work every day, he would look on google maps to find the closest street library.

This experience inspired Martin, who decided to bring a street library to his own local community. What followed was a community effort to bring Martin's idea to life.

The team at My Community Pharmacy agreed to take on the library, which is placed on the main street at My Community Pharmacy Shortland for public use. When the pharmacy is closed, the library is stored in there.

East Maitland Men's Shed agreed to build the library. Once it was constructed, schoolchildren from Our Lady of Victories painted and decorated the structure.

The funds for the construction and furnishing of the library were raised through raffles held on-premises at the Shortland Hotel.

Martin has coordinated the project and I would like to congratulate him on all the effort he has put into it. Thank you Martin.