

The IPC is a crucial corruption safeguard and has been recognised as such by NSW ICAC.

Public policy should be based on rigorous science and transparent policies, not on who has access to the decision-maker and who can contribute political donations.

The independence of the IPC should be strengthened, not weakened, by giving it greater resources and quasi-judicial status as the ICAC has previously recommended.

Communities in mining-affected regions have lost faith in the ability of the Department of Planning and political representatives to properly balance land use conflict, given the out-sized access and influence that the mining industry has.

The IPC is required to provide an independent and objective consideration of highly damaging and controversial mining projects.