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### **Major step forward for National Equine and Livestock Centre**

Member for New England, Tony Windsor, has conducted a further meeting yesterday with representatives of equine and livestock groups concerning a proposal for the construction of a National Equine and Livestock Centre in Tamworth.

Mr Windsor said the purpose of the meeting was for the various groups to report back following the previous meeting held on 18 February, 2003 regarding this proposal.

Mr Windsor, who chaired the meeting, said the Boards of the various industry groups had endorsed the construction of the proposed Centre on a green-fields site near the City of Tamworth.

“It was also the belief of the meeting that the industry would be able to raise in the vicinity of \$1 million towards the construction of the Centre and all groups present noted they had received the approval of their Boards for the Centre’s concept,” Mr Windsor said.

“It was further decided that I should approach Tamworth City Council, the community of Tamworth and the Premier of New South Wales, Bob Carr, with a view to constructing a financial package to build a National Equine and Livestock Centre in Tamworth on a green fields site,” he said.

Mr Windsor said he was very pleased with the progress being made with this proposal and said the industry’s commitment and sense of unity towards this project would play a key role in ensuring this much need facility becomes a reality.