

'Scale' is an irrelevant measure to assess 'fitness for the future'.

Increasing scale necessarily reduces opportunities for individuals to participate in Council elections by increasing the cost (30,000 electors vs 250,000 electors).  
Increasing scale could result in major political parties controlling councils.  
Diversity of decision makers improves community outcomes.

There is no logical connection between scale and capacity.

Local Government is about inclusive communities, the provision of services which have been democratically deemed important to those communities, the protection of the amenity of the communities and the ability to genuinely contribute to the periodic development of a local strategic plans.

Inclusive communities naturally maximize local volunteering. Local volunteers contribute significant financial value to their communities.

Local Government is about inclusive communities. Scale is not measure of inclusive communities.

'Scale' is irrelevant when assessing fitness of current councils in NSW for an unknown future.