



## What did the study tour participants think?

### Mr Julian Leaser MP, Member for Berowra

*The China Matters study tour helped deepen my understanding of the People's Republic of China. The drivers of the middle class Chinese people we met and the economic analysis we received from experts presented a broader picture of China from the one presented in media reports. China faces a series of difficulties – a slowing economy, tenseness in its relations and a possible trade war with the USA, and some dissatisfaction with the direction of domestic policy by middle class people.*

*The China Matters study tour did not feed us “a line”. It was not propaganda. It was a critical appraisal of China, its challenges, its future. I am grateful for the opportunity to participate.*

### The Hon Chris Bowen MP, Shadow Treasurer, Member for McMahon

*The insights gained into broader Chinese civil society and private citizens on this trip are invaluable. I have travelled to the People's Republic of China on official business in the past but this trip with China Matters gives a completely different perspective. The Australia-China bilateral relationship is an important one. Just as China Matters promises a useful public policy contribution to the discussion and debate about the relationship, so the China Matters study tour will provide a very valuable perspective for policy makers.*

### Mr Andrew Parker, Partner and Asia Practice Leader, PwC Australia

*Developing a deeper understanding of the PRC should be on the minds of business and government leaders alike. The China Matters study tour provided a unique insight into the views of the Chinese middle-class about their domestic politics, the economy and their relationships with other countries, including Australia. The conversation throughout was open, direct and thought provoking making this an immensely valuable experience.*



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