



Member for Algester

Your reference:
Our reference:

Petitions 1301-09

COM00033-2010; ML/09/3221

Minister for Community Services and Housing and Minister for Women

Queensland

1.5 JAN 2010

Mr Neil Laurie
The Clerk of the Parliament
Parliament House
George Street
BRISBANE OLD 4000

Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to the e-Petition No. 1301-09 received on 26 November 2009 by the Queensland Legislative Assembly concerning funding towards the construction of a new grandstand at Stockland Park, Kawana (formerly Quad Park). I confirm that this petition was forwarded to the office of the Minister for Child Safety and Minister for Sport by the office of the Minister for Education and Training for response on 22 December 2009.

The former Minister for Education and Training and Minister for the Arts, the Honourable Rod Welford advised the House on 12 November 2008 in response to a question without notice that the Government's original intention to establish a TAFE facility as part of the Quad Park development, which had the potential to incorporate a grandstand, would not be proceeding.

Following the expiration of the TAFE proposal, the Sunshine Coast Regional Council submitted a late Expression of Interest under the 2009 Sport and Recreation Major Facilities Program for a \$5 million grant towards the construction of a covered grandstand and national player facilities at Stockland Park. The Expression of Interest was assessed against the criteria for the program and was not recommended for funding. It should be noted that there has been no prior or subsequent commitment of funding towards this project.

I trust this information is of assistance.

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Yours sincerely

Karen Struthers MP

Acting Minister for Child Safety and

Minister for Sport