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Dear Mr Laurie

Thank you for your letter of 10 May 2018 regarding petition 2897-18: Major amendment to Moreton Bay Regional Council Planning Scheme No 1.

I acknowledge the concerns raised in the petition about the proposed planning scheme amendments put forward by the Moreton Bay Regional Council, and I appreciate the community's interest in these matters.

I also acknowledge petitioners' concerns regarding a Department of Transport and Main Roads matter, being the potential investigation into a future north-south road corridor. I note that this is a matter for the Minister for Transport and Main Roads and does not form part of the proposed planning scheme amendments.

The proposed planning scheme amendments include a number of changes, some of which affect future growth areas, including planning for road networks referred to in the petition. Planning schemes reflect the strategic planning for higher-order local roads and such planning is commonly the result of detailed investigations, development approvals or changed information that can feed into an amendment of a planning scheme.

In Queensland, councils have the responsibility and autonomy for ensuring the good rule and governance of their local government areas. This includes the delivery of liveable communities and making provisions for the necessary transport infrastructure. Councils are required to undertake public consultation as part of a planning scheme amendment process. However, prior engagement with the community, while encouraged, is not mandatory.

The proposed amendments are currently being reviewed by the Department of State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning (the department). This review is complex due to the nature and volume of changes contained within the amendment package.

The department will consider the issues raised in relation to the proposed road networks and all impacts on state interests as part of its review. Following this, the department will provide a recommendation for my consideration.

If further information is required, petitioners may contact Mr Garth Nolan, Planning Manager, Planning and Development Services – SEQ North, in the department on (07) 5352 9710 or SEQNorthSARA@dsmip.qld.gov.au who will be pleased to assist.

Yours sincerely

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