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Dear Mr Laurie

Thank you for your letter of 1 December 2023 regarding petition 3993-23 received by the Queensland Legislative Assembly on 28 November 2023 about the Redland Whitewater Centre proposed as part of the Birkdale Community Precinct.

The Brisbane 2032 Master Plan (master plan) identifies the location and details for competition venues, non-competition venues, athlete villages and transport required to host the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games (Brisbane 2032).

The development of the master plan was informed by five guiding principles. One of these five guiding principles includes encompassing the International Olympic Committee's New Norm reforms evidenced by:

- optimising the use of existing venues with feasible capacities
- delivering a regional model
- any planned (new) venue will be built irrespective of the Games.

In South East Queensland, Brisbane 2032 will see three connected venue zones with Brisbane, which incorporates five local government areas including the Redland City Council; the Gold Coast; and the Sunshine Coast. Venues will also be located in regional centres, including Toowoomba, Townsville and Cairns.

Brisbane 2032 will be the catalyst to bring forward current infrastructure and urban development plans. Over 80 per cent of venues in the master plan are existing or temporary, and the master plan includes 37 competition venues for hosting 28 Olympic and 22 Paralympic sports. This includes six new venues, eight upgraded venues, 16 existing venues, five temporary venues and two interstate venues. The Redland Whitewater Centre is one of these proposed competition venues.

On 13 December 2023, the Honourable Steven Miles MP, Premier, announced a 60-day review into the Brisbane 2032 venues. The Redland Whitewater Centre will be considered in the scope of this review.

I would like to thank the petitioners for raising this matter with me and I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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