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Have your say on the future of sport and recreation

As you know, Queenslanders love sport – it's part of our DNA. Whether it's barracking for the mighty Maroons, mountain biking through our state forests, or taking the kids to Saturday morning sport, many Queenslanders regularly embrace the opportunity to get out and get active.

The benefits of remaining active are well known in enhancing quality of life, health, community connection and social inclusion.

Every Queenslander should have the opportunity to play sport and be active, and to experience the health benefits and sense of community and wellbeing that an active lifestyle can bring. Sadly, that's not always the case.

Consistently, research shows that for low income families, the cost of sport can be an insurmountable barrier to participating. We know that fewer women and girls participate in sport than men and boys. And we also know that for Queenslanders living in regional areas, it's harder to get into sport and progress. That's simply unfair.

I have initiated a conversation with Queenslanders to help develop Queensland's first ever Sport and Active Recreation Strategy 2019-2029 (see discussion paper enclosed), and I would appreciate your assistance in that process.

It's about creating an evidence-based method to concentrate our efforts where it will do the most good.

The Queensland Sport and Active Recreation Strategy aims to encourage all Queenslanders, regardless of age, ability or background, to participate in sport and active recreation.

We want to help older, less active Queenslanders re-engage and participate in sport and active recreation.

I would appreciate any assistance you could provide in the development of the strategy by:

- writing to your community inviting them to do our survey or attend a community consultation session (visit www.qld.gov.au/sportrecstrategy)
- sharing our posts on social media which can be found at www.facebook.com/QldSportAndRec/
- promoting the process at major events or through your publications
- making a written submission via email to [REDACTED]

I am hopeful that together we can move the dial on inequality, improve mental health and wellbeing in our community, support young people to make positive decisions and assist more Queenslanders to get out and active.

If you have questions, please contact my Policy Advisor, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Should you require assistance with materials please email the sport and recreation team at [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely



Mick de Brenni MP
Minister for Housing and Public Works
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Dear Mayor McLaughlin

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We write to invite you to attend to the 2018 National Local Roads and Transport Congress in Alice Springs, Northern Territory from 20 – 22 November 2018.

The Congress, which is attended by up to 300 Mayors, Councillors and senior council staff from across Australia, is convened annually by the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA). This year's Congress, themed *Connecting Transport Networks Now and into the Future*, explores the future of transport mobility in Australia, the importance of working with all levels of government and the private sector to plan and deliver integrated infrastructure and exciting new innovations in the road and transport sector.

Enclosed is a copy of the Congress brochure, including a program which features presentations by leading industry professionals who specialise in safety, connected infrastructure, and those at the forefront of debates surrounding road infrastructure funding reform and public transport policy.

The Congress is also a traditional opportunity for Federal Ministers and Shadow Ministers to engage with Local Government and the Deputy Prime Minister, the Hon Michael McCormack MP, and the Shadow Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Cities and Regional Development, the Hon Anthony Albanese MP have been invited to share their visions for the future with the Congress.

This is not only an opportunity to learn from the very best in the business, it is the platform for Local Government to stand up and be heard by the Federal Government - just as we did in 2000, which led to the creation of the very successful (more than 55,000 projects to date) Roads to Recovery program. Your attendance and participation will help develop the strongest case for vital local government roads and transport funding ahead of the next Federal Election.

This year's Congress is hosted by Alice Springs Town Council. Mayor Ryan and I invite you to extend your stay and enjoy the natural wonders of Alice Springs and Uluru before heading home.

For more information or to register your attendance, please visit www.alga.asn.au.

Looking forward to seeing you there.

Mayor David O'Loughlin
President, ALGA

Mayor Damien Ryan
Alice Springs Town Council



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Dear Mr Brennan

Some of our most vulnerable and at-risk Queenslanders live in residential services such as boarding houses, aged rental accommodation and supported accommodation. That's why I am pleased to announce changes to the legislation governing residential services that will ensure these Queenslanders have access to a safe and secure home.

These changes meet the Palaszczuk Government's commitment under the *Queensland Housing Strategy 2017-2027* to improve consumer confidence in housing. They strengthen the *Residential Services (Accreditation) Act 2002* (the Act) as passed as part of the *Housing Legislation (Building Better Futures) Amendment Act 2017* (Qld) and introduce the *Residential Services (Accreditation) Regulation 2018* (the Regulation).

The changes will make improvements for the residential services sector, clarify our expectations of service providers, and promote fair trading practices. By improving the standard of accommodation, we will improve outcomes for residents.

By clarifying requirements of service providers departmental staff, who inspect residential services, can ensure residents are supplied with rental accommodation that meets acceptable standards, nutritious food and appropriate personal care services.

To enable service providers to adapt to the changes, they will commence in two stages. From 1 September 2018 changes to the Act and the Regulation require:

- all residential service providers to provide updated information including their public email address and/or phone number and the details of current associates involved in the operation of the residential service. These details will now be displayed on the public register and registration certificates;
- associates involved in the operation of a residential service to provide details of any change to their criminal history to the department;
- Level 3 residential service providers to notify the department of the death of a resident within 7 days;
- contact information for domestic violence shelters can be withheld from the public record to ensure the safety of people escaping violent and abusive situations; and
- all residential service providers to be assessed against improved level 1, level 2 and level 3 standards when undergoing accreditation and renewal of accreditation.

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From 1 December 2018, the Regulation will also require residential service providers to meet upgraded requirements and standards including:

- security and emergencies – detailed processes to ensure the safety of residents;
- business management – ensure the amenity of the neighbourhood;
- food and nutrition – improved practices and guidelines;
- human resource management – staff in level 3 services have first aid and CPR; and
- prescribed records – recording and management of serious incidents.

The department maintains a *Public Register of Residential Services* listing all registered and accredited residential services including the name of the service provider and the maximum number of residents permitted to reside at the service. From 1 September 2018, the Public Register will be updated to include details of any associates and phone and/or email contact information for the service. You can search residential services registered with the Department of Housing and Public Works at www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset.

The enclosed materials answer questions about the changes to the legislation. Further information about the changes to the Act and the Regulation can be found on the Department of Housing and Public Works website at www.hpw.qld.gov.au/housingstrategy. Information for service providers on operating a residential service is available from www.business.qld.gov.au

If you have any questions about changes to the Act or Regulation, please contact Regulatory Services on [REDACTED]

If I can help with other matters within my portfolio, please contact my office [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mick de Brenni', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Mick de Brenni MP
Minister for Housing and Public Works
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6 September 2018

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Dear Mayor

On Friday 31 August 2018, I wrote to you regarding the release of the Palaszczuk Government's \$5 million 2018-19 Local Government Levy Ready Grants Program (LGLRGP), which will provide funding assistance to local governments to undertake necessary infrastructure works at waste disposal facilities that will be required to implement the waste disposal levy (the levy).

Today, I have introduced the Waste Reduction and Recycling (Waste Levy) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2018 (the Bill) into Queensland Parliament, which will provide the legislative basis for the introduction of the levy.

An important component of the Bill is new section 73D inserted by clause 6, which makes provision for the State Government to make annual advance payments to local councils which will cover the cost of the waste levy on municipal solid waste (MSW).

The Government has made a public commitment that the advance payment will be calculated at a rate of 105% of each council's tonnage of MSW for the previous year. MSW is considered to be levyable waste collected in residential 'red-top' wheelie bins, self-hauled residential waste and kerbside collected bulky waste, as well as waste from public litter bins, park maintenance and street sweeping.

As a result of this payment, the direct cost of the waste levy will not need to be passed on to households.

In addition, by paying 105%, which is over and above the actual cost of the waste levy on MSW, councils have an opportunity to reinvest surplus funds into programs and infrastructure which would improve local waste management and recycling into the future.

The advance payment to councils and the LGLRGP are two ways that the Government is supporting councils and ensuring it does not cost households more to put out their wheelie bin as a result of the introduction of the waste levy on 4 March 2019.

If you require any further information, you can contact my office on [REDACTED]
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Yours sincerely

Leeanne Enoch MP
**Minister for Environment and the Great Barrier Reef,
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Dear Councillor McLaughlin

As you are aware, the *Local Government Electoral (Implementing Stage 1 of Belcarra) and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2018* was given assent on 21 May 2018 to deliver on the Government's commitment to provide for improved integrity and accountability in Local Government. On the same day, the *Local Government (Councillor Complaints) and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2018* was also given assent to deliver on the Government's commitment to deal with Councillor complaints more effectively and to legislate for a mandatory Code of Conduct for Councillors. The new Councillor Complaints system and Code of Conduct are anticipated to commence in December 2018.

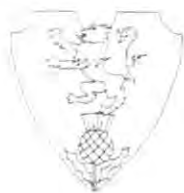
To assist Councillors to comply with the new Code of Conduct and Councillor Complaints system, the Department of Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs will be making available Councillor training on the Code of Conduct and the above recent legislative amendments. The Code of Conduct training will be an interactive online program available through the Department's website. The legislation training will be a one-day scenario-based training program delivered at Council locations.

The training programs will commence from early September 2018, and officers from the Department will be contacting your Council to provide details of the Code of Conduct training and schedule the legislation training. As you will be required to comply with the Code of Conduct and new Councillor Complaints legislative requirements from December 2018, I encourage you to participate in the training.

The Code of Conduct, Implementing Stage 1 of Belcarra and Councillor Complaints amendments form a significant part of the Government's legislative reform to restore public confidence in Local Government by ensuring Queensland has the most transparent and accountable Councils in Australia. I anticipate all Councillors will help ensure the success of these initiatives through participating in the training.

Yours sincerely

STIRLING HINCHLIFFE MP
Minister for Local Government,
Minister for Racing and
Minister for Multicultural Affairs



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Dear Sir

Our members wish to thank Council for permission to install a life size bronze statue of a Scotsman in the forecourt of the Burdekin Theatre.

The clay statue was completed by Jane Hawkins on the 2nd September then transported to the Brisbane foundry and hopefully returned to Jane in December or sooner.

Advise will be given to the Council nearer completion so that the concrete base can be constructed.

Yours faithfully

Agnes Christie