



# Burdekin Shire Council

## CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

**1. 1555612 \* 894**

**Minister for Child Safety Youth and Women and the Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence**

Correspondence from the Minister for Child Safety, Youth and Women and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence regarding the National Redress Scheme. Ref: CSYW 03882-2019

**2. 1558282 \* 145**

**Townsville Enterprise Limited**

Invitation to Participate in Launch of the Townsville North Queensland Product and Experience Development Plan - 4 October 2019 - Townsville Enterprise Limited

**3. 1558863 \* 1604**

**Hon Cameron Dick MP – Minister for State Development Manufacturing Infrastructure and Planning**

Correspondence - Status of the Draft North Queensland Regional Plan - Honorable Cameron Dick MP

**4. 1559067 \* 894**

**Hon Mark Bailey MP – Minister for Transport and Main Roads**

Information and Advice - New Palaszczuk Government Program - Rail Trail Local Government Grant Program - Mark Bailey MP

**5. 1559249 \* 146**

**Burdekin Readers and Writers Association Incorporated**

Invitation - Screening of Downtown Abbey - Burdekin Delta Cinemas - 10 October 2019 - Burdekin Readers and Writers Association Incorporated

**6. 1559280 \* 146**

**Ayr State High School**

Invitation - Ayr State High School Annual Awards Night - 31 October 2019 - Burdekin Theatre

**7. 1559548 \* 883**

**Officer of the Independent Assessor**

Update of Discussions - Councillor Conduct Tribunal Decisions - Office of the Independent Assessor

8. **1560021 \* 894**

**Department of Local Government Racing and Multicultural Affairs**

Information and Advice - Queensland Anti-Cyberbullying Taskforce Development Framework to Reduce the Prevalence of Bullying and Cyberbullying among Children and Young People - Warwick Agnew - Director General

9. **1560151 \* 894**

**Department of Child Safety Youth and Women**

Correspondence - Preparing for Queensland's Human Rights Act 2019 Full Implementation - Department of Child Safety, Youth and Women

10. **1560247 \* 404**

**Department of Local Government Racing and Multicultural Affairs**

Local Government Remuneration Commission - Inviting Submission for the 2019 Annual Remuneration and Category Review Process - Submissions Close 28 October 2019 - Department of Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs

11. **1560409 \* 894**

**Hon Stirling Hinchliffe MP – Minister for Local Government Racing and Multicultural Affairs**

Correspondence - Commencement of the Governments new Grants to Local Government Model - Hon Stirling Hinchliffe MP

12. **1560425 \* 109**

**Burdekin Community Association Inc.**

Letter of Thanks - Annual Donation from Council for 2019-20 - Burdekin Community Association Inc.

13. **1560451 \* 894**

**Hon Cameron Dick MP – Minister for State Development Manufacturing Infrastructure and Planning**

Correspondence - Amendments to Planning Regulation 2017 - Hon Cameron Dick MP





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Our reference: CSYW 03882-2019

Councillor Lyn McLaughlin  
Mayor  
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[REDACTED]

Dear Mayor

I am writing to you in relation to the participation of Queensland councils as state institutions in the National Redress Scheme (the Scheme) for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse. The Queensland Government has been working closely with the Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) to develop a best practice approach for council participation in the Scheme.

I am pleased that we have reached agreement on this important matter and set out below is some information about the settled approach and what it means for your council.

### **Overview of the Scheme**

As you are aware, the Scheme was established in 2018 by the Federal Government in response to recommendations of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse (Royal Commission) and will run for 10 years until 30 June 2028.

The Scheme, which is operated by the Federal Government, acknowledges that many children experienced child sexual abuse in Australian institutions, recognises the impacts of the abuse and encourages institutions to learn from the mistakes of the past. The Scheme provides an eligible person with access to redress including: a monetary payment, access to counselling, and a direct personal response from the institution responsible for the abuse.

In 2017, the Queensland Government removed the limitation period for commencing an action for civil damages in relation to child sexual abuse. People may choose to access the Scheme as a more trauma-informed and non-adversarial alternative to civil litigation. The Scheme's independent decision makers assess and decide redress. A person can only receive redress from an institution that is participating in the Scheme.

Participating in the Scheme is an important way for institutions to demonstrate their commitment to making institutions safer for children today and there is a clear public expectation following the devastating findings of the Royal Commission that institutions will participate in the Scheme.

### **Council participation in the Scheme**

All state and territory governments have signed on to the Scheme and it is important that councils also participate to ensure that all people who are entitled to redress are able to access the Scheme. The participation of councils in the Scheme will mean that there are no gaps for people who experienced institutional child sexual abuse in a government context to access redress in Queensland.

While it is not possible to accurately estimate the number or costs of redress applications that may relate to councils, based on the limited types of child related services historically delivered by councils the anticipated impact is likely to be low.

I was pleased to receive advice from LGAQ late last year that Queensland councils would seek to opt in to the Scheme as participating state institutions, subject to development of an appropriate Memorandum of Agreement between the state and LGAQ on behalf of Queensland councils.

The Queensland Government and LGAQ have worked closely on this matter and the enclosed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) gives effect to this proposal. The MOU is intended to guide cooperation between the state and councils as participating state institutions. The MOU sets out the financial and administrative arrangements governing this important partnership.

In recognition of Queensland councils' commitment to ensuring that people who have experienced institutional child sexual abuse in government settings in Queensland are able to access redress, LGAQ signed the MOU on behalf of councils on 6 June 2019.

### **What this means for Queensland councils**

As participating state institutions in the Scheme, councils have financial and operational obligations they need to be aware of, as set out in the MOU.

The Scheme operates on a 'responsible entity pays' basis, as recommended by the Royal Commission. This means that a participating institution found responsible under the Scheme for abuse of a person funds the costs of providing redress to that person.

LGAQ emphasised the importance of ensuring the financial capacity of councils to meet the costs of their redress claims is taken into account in the development of arrangements for council participation in the Scheme as state institutions.



Accordingly, the financial arrangements for the state to recover costs associated with a council's redress claim(s) (see Schedule 1 of the enclosed MOU) give due regard to the different economic circumstances of councils across the state.

The state acknowledges that some councils, due to their small population sizes, have limited financial capacity to pay redress claims and that meeting such costs may have an unacceptable or undesirable effect on councils' ability to provide services. Your council has been identified as falling into this category and as such the Queensland Government will cover the direct costs of any redress claims for which your council is responsible under the Scheme.

As participating state institutions, the Queensland Government expects that all councils retain responsibility for operational costs (as distinct from direct redress costs) associated with participating in the Scheme. This would include any administrative costs associated with providing responses to Requests for Information from the National Scheme Operator relating to any relevant applications for redress, which will be coordinated by the Department of Child Safety, Youth and Women (DCSYW) as the Queensland Government central point of contact, and providing redress recipients with a direct personal response when requested.

#### **Other support available to councils as participating state institutions**

In the event that an application for redress relates to a particular Queensland council, support will be offered from DCSYW similar to that provided to other state participating institutions. As state institutions, all Requests for Information and invoicing for a council's participation in the Scheme will be coordinated and streamlined through DCSYW.

In addition to this administrative support, councils who are responsible for an offer of redress will be offered access to quality practice guidance, training and support from DCSYW on best practice approaches to Scheme participation, including the delivery of direct personal responses.

Enclosed with this letter are some supporting materials to assist councils to get ready for participation in the Scheme. This includes guidelines for communicating with people about the Scheme in a trauma-informed manner should your council receive queries about the Scheme, and further information about direct personal responses under the Scheme.

LGAQ will provide consultation and communication between Queensland councils and the state on matters relating to council participation in the Scheme. Please make contact with LGAQ via the usual channels with any questions in relation to the MOU between LGAQ on behalf of Queensland councils and the state.

As a first step in our important partnership on this matter, I would welcome return correspondence acknowledging your council's commitment to participation in the Scheme as a state institution.

My department will offer to provide support in the event that your council receives a redress claim, however if you require any further initial information or support please

contact Ms Kathy Masters, Director, Redress Coordination and Secretariat Unit,  
Department of Child Safety, Youth and Women on [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

I trust this information is of assistance and I look forward to working together to  
provide people with access to the redress they deserve.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Di Farmer', with a large, stylized circular flourish to the left of the name.

**Di Farmer MP**  
**Minister for Child Safety, Youth and Women and**  
**Minister for the Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence**

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16 September 2019

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Dear Terry,

**RE: Invitation to participate in launch of the Townsville North Queensland Product and Experience Development Plan (PEDP)**

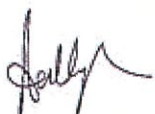
Tourism in Townsville North Queensland contributes over \$1.26 billion to the regional economy each year and is listed as one of the top 10 employers for the region employing over 6,800 locals. There's been significant global growth in the tourism industry, so to ensure our region is jumping on the wave a strategic direction to reinvigorate the tourism landscape has become a strong focus for Townsville Enterprise (TEL), and has been addressed in the development of the 2019 - 2024 Townsville North Queensland Product and Experience Development Plan.

In appreciation of you and your teams support and contribution to the 2019 - 2024 Townsville North Queensland Product and Experience Development Plan, we would like to invite you to attend our 28<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting (AGM) on the 4 October, where we would like to officially launch this regional strategy.

The PEDP has been developed with consultation and endorsement from the five local governments in the Townsville North Queensland region, and with consultation with more than 160 local business operators. The launch of the Product and Experience Development Plan will highlight the strategic direction and priorities for the Townsville North Queensland tourism industry as well as identify key infrastructure and enabler projects to drive economic growth and form the basis of our advocacy efforts moving forward.

If you would to show your support and join us for the launch, please go to our website to secure your ticket. I look forward to seeing you there.

Yours sincerely



Patricia O'Callaghan  
Chief Executive Officer  
Townsville Enterprise Limited

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The Hon. Cameron Dick MP  
Minister for State Development, Manufacturing,  
Infrastructure and Planning

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Dear Mr Brennan

Thank you for your letter of 27 June 2019, about the status of the draft North Queensland Regional Plan (NQRP) and potential impacts for the Burdekin Shire Council's (the council) proposed new planning scheme.

I would like to thank the council for your hard work and commitment to the NQRP to date and assure the council that the delivery of the first regional plan for North Queensland remains a priority.

The preparation of the regional plan has taken time to ensure appropriate consideration was given to the complex competing interests across the region. Following the flood event impacting the region in February this year, the Department of State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning (DSDMIP) reviewed and strengthened policies under the draft NQRP to promote increased resilience and safety from natural hazards, such as flooding, for the North Queensland community.

As you are aware, the draft NQRP was released for public consultation on 29 August 2019, following the North Queensland Regional Planning Committee meeting held in Townsville.

I acknowledge your concerns regarding potential impacts of the NQRP on the preparation and completion of the council's proposed new planning scheme. I understand DSDMIP has been working with the council in relation to the proposed new planning scheme, and that initial state agency comments were recently provided to the council for review.

I understand officers from DSDMIP met with council officers at the NQRP Local Government Working Group meeting, held in Townsville on 22 July 2019. In finalising the NQRP, I am aware that DSDMIP officers will continue to engage with the council throughout consultation to ensure the council's planning scheme progresses and any requirements of the NQRP are appropriately reflected.

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DSDMIP officers are also available to provide the Mayor, councillors and other council officers with a briefing on the NQRP during consultation. If the council would like to arrange a briefing, please contact Mr Damian McDonnell, Executive Director, Regional and Spatial Planning, DSDMIP, [REDACTED] who will be pleased to assist.

I look forward to continued collaboration with the council in delivering the NQRP.

If you have any questions about my advice to you, please contact my office on [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Yours sincerely



**CAMERON DICK MP**  
**Minister for State Development, Manufacturing,**  
**Infrastructure and Planning**



## Minister for Transport and Main Roads

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Councillor Lyn McLaughlin  
Mayor  
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Dear Councillor McLaughlin

I am writing to let you know about an exciting new Palaszczuk Government program to help develop walking, cycling and horse riding trails on disused state and local government rail corridors.

Rail trails support active, healthy lifestyles, and contribute to environmental preservation and management. They also create diversity in local economies and encourage the growth and creation of small businesses in hospitality and tourism sectors.

Through the Rail Trail Local Government Grant program, the government is investing \$14 million over four years to support local governments to plan, design and construct rail trails. Funding for the planning and feasibility stage can be offered to your council with no matched funding requirement.

In line with similar grant programs, a co-contribution from council will be required for the construction of approved projects. Ongoing operations, management and maintenance of facilities will be local government responsibilities.

If you are interested in accessing funding to assist with development in your area, please contact Mr Adam Rogers, Director (Active Transport), Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR), [REDACTED] to express interest.

You can also find further information, including program guidelines, on TMR's website at [www.tmr.qld.gov.au](http://www.tmr.qld.gov.au) by clicking on (1) 'Travel and transport', (2) 'Rail trails' and (3) 'Rail Trail Local Government Grants program'.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

**MARK BAILEY MP**  
Minister for Transport and Main Roads

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# *Bubbles & Canapés*

TO CELEBRATE  
THE BURDEKIN PREMIERE SCREENING OF

## DOWNTON ABBEY

ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10TH 2019

AT THE BURDEKIN DELTA CINEMAS, QUEEN STREET, Ayr

BUBBLES & CANAPÉS WILL BE SERVED AT 6.30PM

FOLLOWED BY THE MOVIE AT 7.30PM

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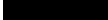
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# Ayr State High School

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20 September 2019

Cr Lyn McLaughlin  
Mayor  
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Dear Lyn

At our annual Awards Night we recognise the efforts and accomplishments of our students. We would be pleased if you could join us on this occasion.

Details of the evening are as follows:

Date: Thursday, October 31st

Time: 7.30pm

Venue: Burdekin Theatre

Dress: Academic dress will not be worn

Arrival: We would be pleased if you would join us on the Mezzanine Floor at 7.00pm on the evening in order to enter the theatre through the Green Room with other invited guests.

Supper: Supper will be served at the conclusion of the official part of the evening.

RSVP: Friday, October 11th

On the evening we will be presenting subject awards and a number of special awards. If you are able to attend, I would be grateful if you would present one of the special awards.

I hope you will be able to join us on this night.

Yours faithfully

Mr Craig Whittred  
PRINCIPAL

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25 September 2019

Hello,

The Office of the Independent Assessor is continuing to post discussions on Councillor Conduct Tribunal decisions on its website under '[Resources for councillors](#)'.

These summaries may be useful in guiding a councillor's understanding of the standards being applied by the Tribunal and in understanding how this may apply to your own circumstances.

New key issues include several conflict of interest discussions and the definition of a breach of trust.

#### **Conflict of Interest**

- [Perceived conflict of interest arising out of a relationship with a consultant on a development application](#) CCT decision, 14 August 2019
- [Dealing with conflict of interest as misconduct](#) CCT decision, 14 August 2019
- [Threshold for disclosing a personal interest and the responsibility of non-conflicted councillors](#) CCT decision, 14 August 2019
- [What use can be made of a councillor's past practice in declaring conflicts of interest on the same matter](#) CCT decision, 14 August 2019
- [What use can be made of previous Tribunal decisions](#) CCT decision, 14 August 2019
- [The use of expert evidence in considering the conflict of interest test](#) CCT decision, 14 August 2019
- [Conflict of Interest: Whether a councillor could reasonably be taken to have a conflict of interest: consideration of a council policy](#) CCT decisions, 17 April 2019 and 14 August 2019

#### **Breach of Trust**

- [Meaning of Breach of Trust in Section 176\(b\)\(ii\)](#) CCT decision, 14 August 2019

I will continue to update you on future Tribunal decisions.

Kathleen Florian  
Independent Assessor



Department of Local Government,  
Racing and Multicultural Affairs

Our ref: DGBN19/949

27 September 2019

Mr Terry Brennan  
Chief Executive Officer  
Burdekin Shire Council  
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Dear Mr Brennan

In February 2018, the Honourable Anastacia Palaszcuk MP, Premier and Minister for Trade established the Queensland Anti-Cyberbullying Taskforce to develop a framework to reduce the prevalence of bullying and cyberbullying among children and young people.

In September 2018, the Taskforce provided a report to address cyberbullying of children and young people in Queensland recommending community and Government action.

In October 2018, the Queensland Government response was released with all 29 recommendations made by the Taskforce accepted or accepted in principle. Copies of both the report and the Government response are available online at [www.thepremier.qld.gov.au](http://www.thepremier.qld.gov.au) by selecting 'Newsroom'.

The Department of Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs is committed to supporting the delivery of the whole-of-Government Anti-Cyberbullying Taskforce report and recommendations.

Recommendation 8 requests that *'the Queensland Government:*

- (a) write to state sporting, youth and community bodies requesting policies to prevent and intervene in bullying and cyberbullying be developed and implemented*
- (b) ensure sporting and community bodies involving children and young people that receive Queensland Government funding are required to have and implement policies to prevent and intervene in bullying and cyberbullying.'*

The Department recognises the important work your organisation does as a key stakeholder for communities across Queensland.

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In relation to recommendation 8(a), the Department acknowledges that while the work of your organisation may not solely focus on children and young people, I ask that your organisation considers implementing or reviewing such anti-bullying and anti-cyberbullying policies as appropriate.

The Department is aware that your organisation may receive this advice from other Queensland Government agencies, and I hope the provided information is useful.

The Department will advise your organisation of a response in relation to recommendation 8(b) in the near future.

I have asked for Mr Colin Petersen, Manager, Strategic Policy in the Department to assist you with any further queries. You may wish to contact Mr Petersen [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'W Agnew', written in a cursive style.

Warwick Agnew  
**Director-General**

**From:** Janita Larsen on behalf of "Human Rights CSYW"  
<humanrights@csyw.qld.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Fri, 27 Sep 2019 15:38:51 +1000  
**To:** Undisclosed recipients:  
**Subject:** Preparing for Queensland's Human Rights Act 2019 – respect, protect, promote

Hello,

As you may be aware, Queensland has commenced an important human rights journey. The first stage of implementation of the historic [Human Rights Act 2019](#) (the Act) commenced from 1 July 2019, when the Anti-Discrimination Commission Queensland became the [Queensland Human Rights Commission](#) (QHRC). The Commission has subsequently commenced an information and education campaign about human rights in Queensland.

This is an important first step toward full implementation of the Act, which is expected to commence in its entirety from 1 January 2020.

We are contacting organisations that have a contractual or other relationship with either the Department of Child Safety, Youth and Women, the Department of Youth Justice or the Department of Communities, Disability Services and Seniors, to ensure you are aware of the Act and the obligations it places on organisations that are defined as 'public entities' under the Act, and to let you know how you can get ready.

### **Funded organisations as public entities**

Non-government and other organisations contracted to provide services to the public on behalf of the Queensland Government are included under the Act as public entities.

The Act requires that public entities make decisions and act compatibly with human rights. In practice this means considering human rights in a broad range of activities, from administrative and human resource decisions, to policy, procedure and service delivery decisions.

The Act also introduces human rights complaints management processes for public entities.

### **Getting ready**

There are a range of ways your organisation can prepare for the start of the Act, including:

- Accessing and sharing the resources on the [QHRC website](#). We encourage you to read the [guide for public entities](#) in particular so that you are clear about obligations and issues to consider for your organisation.
- Attending QHRC [human rights training](#), or contacting the Commission about tailored training options.
- Attending one of the information sessions in major Queensland locations planned to commence in October. We will partner with the QHRC, QCOSS and other government agencies, to deliver the sessions for government and non-government organisations in the social services sector.



- Visiting the government's human rights information portal [www.forgov.qld.gov.au/humanrights](http://www.forgov.qld.gov.au/humanrights) which includes factsheets, guides and resources. While targeted at government, you may find the resources useful. The portal will be updated as new information becomes available, so please check back regularly.
- Accessing human rights material from [Community Legal Centres Queensland](http://Community Legal Centres Queensland).

If you are funded by more than one Queensland Government department you may have already received information about supports that will be available to help you to prepare for the start of the Act. The information sessions we plan to convene aim to complement the various supports that are available, including those listed above.

### **Next steps**

We acknowledge the essential role that you and your organisations play in delivering services to some of the most vulnerable people in Queensland.

We also recognise that the vast majority of organisations delivering social services in Queensland already have a strong focus and commitment to human rights, which is embedded in policies, procedures and decision making frameworks. In fact, organisations that deliver services in accordance with the Human Services Quality Framework (HSQF) are already well placed to be compatible with the Act when it commences in full.

When the Act commences in its entirety, we will all have a responsibility to make decisions and act compatibly with the human rights of individuals in everyday operations and interactions with the community.

We encourage you to consider the Act and implications for your organisation as soon as possible, including what the Act means for your internal operating procedures.

Further detail about our information sessions will be distributed in October. In the meantime, if you have any questions you can contact [humanrights@csyw.qld.gov.au](mailto:humanrights@csyw.qld.gov.au) or [HumanRightsCDSS@communities.qld.gov.au](mailto:HumanRightsCDSS@communities.qld.gov.au) for assistance with your enquiry.

Kind regards

**Michael Hogan**  
Director-General  
Department of Child Safety,  
Youth and Women

**Bob Gee**  
Director-General  
Department of Youth Justice

**Clare O'Connor**  
Director-General  
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Disability Services  
and Seniors

**From:** Remuneration Commission  
**Sent:** Fri, 27 Sep 2019 17:01:27 +1000  
**To:** Remuneration Commission  
**Subject:** Local Government Remuneration Commission - 2019 review program

Dear Mayor/Chief Executive Officer

The Local Government Remuneration Commission (the Commission) is commencing its annual remuneration review and category review process to determine the remuneration to be paid to mayors, deputy mayors and councillors from 1 July 2020, in accordance with the requirements of sections 241–244 of the Local Government Regulation 2012.

The Commission is inviting submissions from mayors, councillors and chief executive officers, in relation to remuneration for councillors and categories of local governments to inform the Commission's deliberations.

Submissions can be emailed to [LGRcenquiries@dlgrma.qld.gov.au](mailto:LGRcenquiries@dlgrma.qld.gov.au) or mailed to:

Local Government Remuneration Commission  
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The closing date for receipt of submissions is Monday 28 October 2019.

In addition, the Commission will also be taking deputations at the Local Government Association of Queensland's 2019 Annual Conference at the Cairns Convention Centre, on 15 October 2019.

To arrange an appointment with the Commission at the conference, please reply to this email, stating topic/submission and preferred meeting time, at [LGRcenquiries@dlgrma.qld.gov.au](mailto:LGRcenquiries@dlgrma.qld.gov.au) or by telephoning the Secretariat [REDACTED] before 4 October 2019.

If you have any other queries regarding the Commission's remuneration program please contact the Commission's Secretariat [REDACTED]

Best Regards

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Dear Lyn

It gives me great pleasure to announce the commencement of the Government's new Grants to Local Government Model (the Model).

Developed using your feedback along with that from State agencies and Local Government industry bodies, the new Model is simple, adaptable and coordinated. Not only will this Model provide value for Local Governments, it will also be responsive to your community priorities.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all Councils that have provided input into the development of the new Model.

For Councils, the new Model will provide benefits including:

- a single web page for grants to Local Government
- reducing the number of State agencies that Councils deal with to five
- more time for Councils to deliver projects (minimum two years)
- alignment of program timeframes with Council budget cycles wherever possible
- a single head funding agreement between the State and Local Governments
- consistent and standard templates for guidelines, applications, progress reporting
- more streamlined quarterly reporting and/or project milestone reporting
- inclusion of funding for non-capital activities within infrastructure programs
- improved early stakeholder involvement
- better training and support.

In addition to these benefits and the work undertaken to date, collaboration and partnering with Councils is core to implementing the new Model with State and Local Governments both playing a role.

Governance of the Model will be the responsibility of the Department of Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs and includes a Local Government Grants Executive. The role of this group is to oversee the on-going implementation of the Model and will include senior executives from key State agencies, a number of representative Local Governments, and key Local Government industry bodies including the Local Government Association of Queensland, the Local Government Managers Australia (Queensland) and the Local Government Finance Professionals. I encourage you to provide your ongoing feedback on the Model to the Department or members of the Grants Executive.

Once again, thank you for your involvement and I encourage you to continue to engage with the Department as the new Model is implemented over the coming months. The Department has updated its website with information about the new Model and supporting resources – including governance arrangements, program streams and guidance material. These resources and the new Grants to Local Government Web Landing Page can be accessed at [www.dlgrma.qld.gov.au/grantsmodel](http://www.dlgrma.qld.gov.au/grantsmodel).

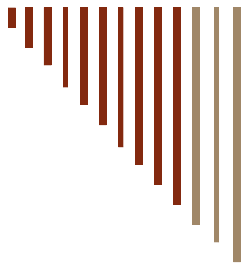
I have asked for Ms Kim Mahoney, Executive Director, Grants Review, Local Government Division in the Department to assist you with any further queries. You may wish to contact Ms Mahoney [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely



**STIRLING HINCHLIFFE MP**  
**Minister for Local Government,**  
**Minister for Racing and**  
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30 September 2019

Ms Lyn McLaughlin  
Mayor  
Burdekin Shire Council  
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Dear Lyn

**Re: Annual Donation for 2019-20**

On behalf of BCA, thank you to the Council for generously donating \$40,400.00 to BCA for the 2019-20 financial year.

We very much appreciated the cheque being presented at our Annual General Meeting.

Thank you for also officially closing the AGM. Your support and assistance mean a great deal.

Yours sincerely

Debra Cochran  
**Chief Executive Officer**  
**Burdekin Community Association Inc.**



The Hon. Cameron Dick MP  
Minister for State Development, Manufacturing,  
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Dear Councillor McLaughlin

I am writing in relation to amendments to the Planning Regulation 2017 (Planning Regulation) currently being progressed to support the election commitment made by the Queensland Government to improve the transparency and efficiency of local government infrastructure planning and charging processes.

I would like to thank your council for their involvement in the consultation on the proposed regulation amendments earlier this year. The Department of State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning (DSDMIP) received valuable input that assisted in balancing information and reporting requirements against the needs of various local government areas in Queensland.

DSDMIP is committed to assisting your council in the implementation of the amendments. This includes a phased commencement of the actions required by your council to ensure there is sufficient time to accommodate the changes.

My department will be in contact with council officers to provide information about the new requirements that are to be rolled out, including changes to the reporting requirements for infrastructure charges registers, infrastructure charges notices, and supporting materials for Local Government Infrastructure Plans.

If you have any questions about my advice to you, please contact my office

Yours sincerely

**CAMERON DICK MP**  
**Minister for State Development, Manufacturing,**  
**Infrastructure and Planning**