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**Queensland
Government**

**Minister for Education and
Industrial Relations**

Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to Petitions 1746-11 and 1811-11 tabled in the Legislative Assembly on 15 November 2011, regarding the future of the old Wynnum Central State School site.

The Queensland Government has a proud record of delivering infrastructure for the Wynnum and Manly community. In particular, the government has invested in the future by delivering \$150 million for new and upgraded school facilities. This includes the brand new Brisbane Bayside State College, the new Wynnum State School that will open in 2012 and upgrades to Tingalpa, Wynnum West, Manly, Manly West, Wynnum State High and Wondall Heights State Schools.

This investment has delivered modern teaching and learning environments and will ensure children have the best opportunity in life.

The school rebuilding program is in addition to many other infrastructure investments on the bayside. The Queensland Government has also delivered the new police station, fire station, court house, Port of Brisbane Motorway Stage 1 and Gateway Motorway. Right now the Government is investing \$385 million widening and extending the Port of Brisbane Motorway as an example of our commitment to infrastructure to support jobs and manage growth.

In relation to the old Wynnum Central State School, the Queensland Government recognises the iconic and historic nature of the buildings on the site and their importance to the community. That's why the Member for Lytton, the Honourable Paul Lucas MP, committed back in 2008 that the brick building on Florence Street would be preserved for community use as part of the sale of the site.

The Government remains open to negotiating with the Brisbane City Council on the matter.

I trust that this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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