



Hon Jeff Seeney MP

Deputy Premier

Minister for State Development, Infrastructure and Planning

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Mr Neil Laurie
The Clerk of the Parliament
Parliament House
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Dear Mr Laurie

Thank you for your letter of 4 April 2014 about petition 2241-14 received by the Queensland Legislative Assembly about Toondah Harbour Priority Development Area.

I am aware of the concerns raised in this petition in relation to the proposed development scheme for the Toondah Harbour Priority Development Area (PDA) and the request for the proposed development scheme to be withdrawn and reviewed.

The Toondah Harbour PDA was declared at the request of Redland City Council (RCC) on 21 June 2013. The proposed development scheme provides an opportunity to support economic development in Redland City and will seek to reinforce Toondah Harbour as a community hub and a regional gateway to Moreton Bay and North Stradbroke Island. The development will include opportunities for mixed use and medium density residential, tourism and retail based development, dedicated ferry terminals, public open space and the potential for a private berth marina.

RCC has engaged with the community since declaration including community forums, stakeholder meetings, community mail outs, advertisements in local and state wide media, posters and other advertising material at ferry terminals.

Economic Development Queensland, Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning, in partnership with RCC, publicly notified the proposed development scheme from 10 January to 24 February 2014. During this period, the proposed development scheme was made available and on display at 14 local libraries and three major Redland shopping centres. All interested parties including residents, business operators and community groups were invited to view the proposed development scheme and make a written submission to me, as Minister for Economic Development Queensland, for consideration.

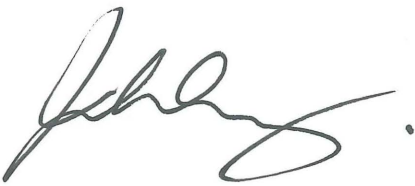
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All submissions are being considered, in consultation with RCC, and a submissions report is being prepared identifying the issues, how they have been addressed and what changes have been made to the development scheme.

The Queensland Government is committed to supporting economic development and development for community purposes. We are serious about working in partnership with local governments and ensuring they are empowered to plan for their own communities. Please be assured that we are working closely with RCC to ensure that the development scheme for Toondah Harbour PDA appropriately addresses the matters raised in submissions.

If you require any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jeff Seeney', with a small dot at the end.

JEFF SEENEY MP
DEPUTY PREMIER
Minister for State Development, Infrastructure and Planning