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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to Petition 2651-16 tabled in the Legislative Assembly on 29 November 2016 regarding the multi-purpose hall for Cleveland District State High School.

The Department of Education and Training is committed to providing high quality infrastructure in state schools across Queensland to improve learning outcomes, including through the provision of multi-purpose halls wherever possible.

Cleveland District State High School has completed the first stage for advancing a request for a new multi-purpose sports hall, that is, the completion of a School Strategic Infrastructure Plan. The plan prioritises the school's infrastructure requirements over the medium term, and was developed by the Principal in consultation with the Parents and Citizens' Association and Regional Office.

These proposals are assessed by the Department against a structured set of criteria and prioritised against other proposed investments from across the State. The Department is focused on delivering the highest priority projects within the approved budget. This process is used to build the Department's short, medium and long term investment outlooks, subject to the funding approved through the State Budget process.

I am advised that senior representatives from the Department's Infrastructure Services Branch recently met with the Principal to discuss the preparation of a business case to articulate the school's need and inform the prioritisation and potential funding of the proposal in the future.

Should you wish to discuss this matter further, I invite you to contact Mr Kevin Mara, Assistant Director-General, Infrastructure Services, on telephone 3034 4520 or by email at [kevin.mara@det.qld.gov.au](mailto:kevin.mara@det.qld.gov.au).

I would like to thank your petitioners for raising this matter with me and I trust that this information will be of assistance.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Kate Jones', written over a white background.

**KATE JONES MP**  
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