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Dear Mr Laurie

Thank you for your letter of 24 May 2017 referring for response petition 2723-17, as tabled in the Legislative Assembly on 23 May 2017.

I am considering the future use of the Mooloolaba Esplanade Caravan Park site with the current Term Lease due to expire on 30 June 2017.

The current lessee, the Sunshine Coast Regional Council (council) has advised the Department of Natural Resources and Mines (the department) that it does not wish to renew the lease and has outlined a plan to transition the site to open space/esplanade for wider community use. It is worth noting that, during consultation on the Place Making Mooloolaba Master Plan, 72 per cent of local residents consulted supported the relocation of the caravan park to create increased public open space.

In making a decision on the future use of the site, I will consider the departmental Caravan Park Policy, which aims to preserve caravan parks while also taking into account if there can be an even greater community benefit achieved through an alternate use of the site that respects the wishes of the local community.

The department has also undertaken a planning assessment which will guide my decision in this matter.

I would be pleased if you would arrange the tabling of this response under Standing Order 125(3). Any enquiries regarding this response can be referred to Mr Paul Woodland, Chief of Staff, on telephone 3719 7360.

Yours sincerely,



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