



The Hon. Cameron Dick MP  
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Dear Mr Laurie

*Neil,*

I write to you in response to petition 2888-18: Stop the Noosa Slaughterhouse and Veal Industry.

I acknowledge the concerns raised in the petition regarding the proposed meatworks/abattoir at 1416 Eumundi Noosa Road, Eumundi, located within the Sunshine Coast Regional Council (the council) local government area. I appreciate the community's interest in this matter.

I understand that there is an existing facility at 1416 Eumundi Noosa Road, that was used as a meatworks/abattoir from the early 1980s until around 2012. I am advised that the site is not currently being used for a meatworks/abattoir. However, the council has advised that the previously approved use could recommence on the site without requiring an application to the council. Should a future expansion or intensification of the use be prepared, further development applications to the council may be required. The council would be responsible for deciding any such development application.

In Queensland, councils have the responsibility and autonomy for ensuring the good rule and governance of their local government areas. Under Queensland legislation, the state has limited power to intervene or direct any council in relation to operational matters, including decisions made by the council about local planning. It is at the discretion of each council to make the decisions that it considers appropriate for the needs and views of its community.

As the matters raised by the petitioners fall under the jurisdiction of the council, I encourage them to raise their concerns directly with the council on (07) 5475 7526 or via email at [mail@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au](mailto:mail@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au).

I also note the petitioners concerns regarding the welfare of animals. Concerns about animal welfare can be directed to the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Queensland (RSPCA Queensland). The RSPCA Queensland can be contacted by calling 1300 264 625. Alternatively, if the concern is about commercial livestock, it should be made to Biosecurity Queensland, within the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries, by calling their customer service centre on 13 25 23.

If further information is required, the petitioners can contact Mr Garth Nolan, Manager Planning and Development Services in the Department of State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning on (07) 5352 9701 or alternatively they can email SEQNorthSARA@dsmip.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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