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Dear Mr Laurie

I write in response to your letter regarding petition number 3716-22 tabled in Parliament on 16 March 2022, in relation to the eligibility of darts for funding from the Department of Tourism, Innovation and Sport (DTIS).

The eligibility of darts for funding under DTIS grants programs is based on a review of various activities in line with Australia's Physical Activity and Sedentary Behaviour Guidelines. Based on this review, it was determined that darts does not require moderate to high levels of physical exertion or muscle strengthening activities that support physical health outcomes, and therefore is not currently eligible for funding.

DTIS is currently developing the second three-year Action Plan (2022-25) under the Queensland Government's *Activate! Queensland 2019-2029* Strategy. In light of Brisbane's successful bid to host the 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games and ongoing industry reform, DTIS will be reviewing the eligibility of activities for programs under the second Action Plan to ensure funding aligns with DTIS' priorities. DTIS will consult with relevant darts organisations to receive input through this process.

In the meantime, darts clubs may apply for grants from \$500 to \$100 000 through the Queensland Government's Gambling Community Benefit Fund. This funding is available for not-for-profit community groups to enhance their capacity to provide services, leisure activities and opportunities for Queensland communities. Further information about these grants is available at www.gamblingcommunityfund.qld.gov.au.

I trust this information is of assistance to the petitioners.

In accordance with Standing Order 31, I request that this letter be tabled today.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stirling".

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