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Mr Neil Laurie
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Dear Mr Laurie

Thank you for your letter of 31 August 2022 regarding petition 3776-22 received by the Queensland Legislative Assembly on 30 August 2022 about the proposed change of classification request by Moreton Bay Regional Council (the council).

The petitioners have through the Parliament of Queensland requested the Local Government Change Commission (Change Commission) include a formal informative community consultation process and a plebiscite of the council area about the proposed change of classification, in conjunction with the next local government election in March 2024.

Under the *Local Government Act 2009* (the Act), the Change Commission has been established as an independent body to assess proposals for change to local government, including a change of classification.

A referral to the Change Commission must be made by me as Minister for Local Government and in doing so the submission by the council and any concerns raised by residents, such as those raised by the petitioners, will be considered.

Once the assessment of a referral has been completed, the Change Commission must publish the results of its assessment in a newspaper, the *Queensland Government Gazette* and on its website and provide the results to me. Should the Change Commission recommend a change, implementation of the proposed change will be considered by the Governor in Council.

I would like to thank the petitioners for raising this matter with me and I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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