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Dear Mr Laurie

Thank you for your letter of 13 October 2023 regarding petition 3902-23 received by the Queensland Legislative Assembly on 10 October 2023 about Raymond Park and the Gabba rebuild.

Brisbane is the fastest growing capital city in the country and the Gabba rebuild will support long-term professional sport, community, and entertainment needs of the city beyond 2032, including attraction of national and international sporting and entertainment events. The Gabba will seamlessly connect pedestrians to the new Cross River Rail train and Brisbane Metro stations and provide access to a new mixed-use precinct featuring increased greenspace, retail and dining. The community will get a modern, accessible, safe, fit-for-purpose major stadium that will attract and host world-class national and international sporting and entertainment events, before and after the Games.

We have a unique opportunity to capitalise on Queensland's growth and 2032 to create a thriving inner-city suburb in Woolloongabba. On 22 September 2023, the Queensland Government declared the new 106-hectare Woolloongabba Priority Development Area (PDA). The new, larger PDA will deliver more housing, including social and affordable housing, more jobs and better connectivity. The Woolloongabba PDA covers more of Woolloongabba, as well as parts of Kangaroo Point, East Brisbane, South Bank and the Stanley Street precinct. The new, larger PDA will see the redeveloped Gabba Stadium, Cross River Rail and the Brisbane Metro connected to South Bank and Brisbane CBD via a walkable, active travel corridor to South Bank and Brisbane City Council's new green bridge.

In relation to Raymond Park in Kangaroo Point, it has been identified as a temporary warm-up facility for athletes due to its proximity to the Gabba. It has been determined that the warm-up track will be located in the centre of Raymond Park, requiring no resumption of houses and limited impact on mature trees. While early planning considered an eight-lane track, a four-lane track with six-lane straight complies with the International Federation requirements and minimises impacts on residents and trees.

Immediately following Brisbane 2032, the temporary warm-up facilities will be reverted to its current use. The community will have a chance to provide input into new and upgraded park facilities and we will ensure the park offers more for the community, whether that be playgrounds, fitness parks, dog parks, or BBQ facilities for all to enjoy.

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The Brisbane 2032 Organising Committee for the Olympic Games will work with the Queensland Government and Brisbane City Council to ensure residents are consulted in the development of temporary event facilities and operational activities planned for Brisbane 2032.

In relation to East Brisbane State School (EBSS) following community consultation, EBSS will be relocated as a standalone school, with new state of the art facilities, including a swimming pool, on the grounds of Coorparoo Secondary College for the start of the 2026 school year. The underutilised 11-hectare college site is a short distance away, has extensive green space, safe drop off zones, and capacity for the expected future growth in the EBSS community. The existing EBSS campus is too small for the number of families expected to call the reinvigorated Woolloongabba home.

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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