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Dear Mr Maymann

Thank you for your email of 19 September 2023 about planning and delivery of the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games (Brisbane 2032).

It is expected that the global spotlight from Brisbane 2032 will create a \$4.6 billion uplift in tourism and trade for Queensland. In addition, Brisbane 2032 provides significant opportunities for Queensland to host many more major events over the coming decade leading up to the Games and beyond.

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.

The new, larger PDA enables a more integrated and coordinated planning approach for the whole suburb, including connectivity to nearby precincts. Existing houses and properties within the PDA are not being resumed. The PDA will build on current development happening in the area, facilitating sustainable interconnected neighbourhoods close to public transport, open space and supporting services and conveniences. Given the PDA's strategic positioning, city-wide significance and planned public transport infrastructure, it is anticipated that major urban densification and precinct revitalisation will be reflected in a proposed Development Scheme that will undergo public consultation in accordance with the *Economic Development Act 2012*. To find about upcoming engagement activities please register and follow the Woolloongabba PDA Have Your Say page at <https://www.statedevelopment.qld.gov.au/economic-development-qld/priority-development-areas-and-projects/priority-development-areas/woolloongabba>.

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The Queensland Government is undertaking detailed planning for the Gabba rebuild and surrounds, including a delivery program in partnership with key stakeholders and the community, to minimise impacts during construction.

An impact assessment will be conducted prior to the commencement of construction so that impacts on both the overall area and individual businesses are understood and to ensure appropriate support measures are in place to limit any disruptions. Businesses will be informed of timeframes of work in advance so they can plan ahead and will be provided with regular construction updates.

More information will be available for businesses and the community including support and opportunities once the Gabba redevelopment project planning progresses. In the meantime, there is a wide range of Queensland Government assistance for small businesses. For more details, visit www.business.qld.gov.au.

If you require any further information, please contact me by telephone on (07) 3237 7573 or by email at aaron.broughton@dasilgp.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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