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The Honourable Mark Bailey MP
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Dear Minister *Mark*

Tabled and presented to Council
at its 4704 **Meeting held on:**
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I write in relation to the North West Transport Network Business Case.

As you are aware, by 2041 South East Queensland is predicted to be home to nearly 1.9 million extra people. With Brisbane the gateway for international, national and state destinations and markets, the effective management of commuter, freight, business and personal transport movements is critical in maintaining our city's liveability.

To help meet this challenge, the Australian Government has committed funding to Council for the development of a Business Case for the North West Transport Network. As part of developing the business case, Council will undertake extensive community consultation, to inform and prioritise transport challenges and opportunities in the suburbs of Brisbane's north west.

Council understands that there is funding allocated by the Federal and State Governments to the development of a business case and planning studies including for a Bruce Highway Western alternative. In order to ensure a co-ordinated, whole of network outcome that is inclusive of this planning work, collaboration with the Department of Transport and Main Roads on the development of Council's north west transport network study is critical.

As such, I would like to invite the appropriate senior officers from the Department be nominated to be involved in the north west transport network study. Council has also written to Mr Neil Scales, Director-General, seeking the nomination of representatives from the Department to be involved in the project.

I look forward to your response.

Yours sincerely

Cr. David McLachlan
CHAIR
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