



Honourable Jarrod Bleijie MP, Deputy Premier
Minister for State Development, Infrastructure and Planning
Minister for Industrial Relations

Our ref: MC24/3406

Your ref: A1346129

28 NOV 2024

1 William Street
Brisbane Queensland 4000
GPO Box 611 Brisbane
Queensland Australia 4001
Telephone: +61 7 3719 7100
Email: deputy.premier@ministerial.qld.gov.au
Email: industrialrelations@ministerial.qld.gov.au

ABN 65 959 415 158

Mr Neil Laurie
The Clerk of the Parliament
Parliament House
Corner of Alice and George Streets
BRISBANE QLD 4000
TableOffice@parliament.qld.gov.au

Dear Mr Laurie

Petition 4136-24 was received by the Queensland Legislative Assembly on 12 September 2024 (prior to caretaker). In accordance with Standing Order 125(6), Ministers shall forward to the Clerk a final response within 3 months after the petition is presented in the House.

The petitioners requested that the Waraba (Caboolture West) Priority Development Area (PDA) be a model of environmentally sensitive and passive energy efficient design.

The new city of Waraba is envisaged to accommodate around 30,000 dwellings for an estimated 70,000 people and will develop over a 40-year timeframe into a complete community. Ultimately, Waraba will provide housing choices, community facilities and employment opportunities and be connected by an efficient transport network.

Declaring the Waraba PDA enables the Government to work with City of Moreton Bay Council and other key stakeholders to prepare for the area's development that will balance environmental, social and economic considerations.

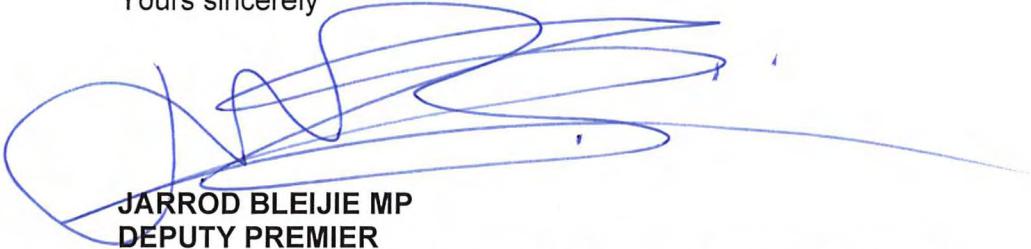
An Interim Land Use Plan took effect when the PDA was declared on 2 August 2024 and applies to all land within the PDA boundary until a PDA development scheme is adopted. Economic Development Queensland (EDQ) is the planning authority for the Waraba PDA and is now in the process of preparing the PDA's development scheme. Preparation of the development scheme will include:

- environmental planning investigations, to identify significant ecological corridors;
- identifying practical responses to mitigating the impacts of urban heat island effect; and
- the planning of a road network that has the capacity to cater for public transport and consulting with the Queensland Department of Transport and Main Roads (DTMR) about future public transport service planning.

A proposed PDA development scheme will be made available for review by the community in early 2026.

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

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of several overlapping loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

JARROD BLEIJIE MP
DEPUTY PREMIER
Minister for State Development, Infrastructure and Planning
Minister for Industrial Relations