Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games Arrangements Bill 2021

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Dear Committee Secretary,

Inquiry into the Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games Arrangements Bill 2021

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback into the inquiry into the *Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games Arrangements Bill 2021*.

The Property Council of Australia is the leading advocate for Australia's biggest industry – property. We are a national not-for-profit organisation established to promote the work of the property industry in delivering prosperity, jobs, and strong communities to all Australians. Here in Queensland, the Property Council represents over 400 member companies across residential, commercial, retail, retirement living, industrial, tourism and education sectors.

The Property Council supports the establishment of the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games Organising Committee and welcomes the commitment to a gender-balanced committee. In establishing the governance arrangements for the Games, the Property Council is keen to see a formalised private sector engagement structure embedded in the framework. This will assist a range of industries in better understanding the Olympic opportunity, along with creating an important avenue to provide private sector input back into the Games' planning process.

As you are aware, the Property Council's members are deeply invested in the future of our state. They are city-shapers and community builders who are committed to delivering projects that embrace local characteristics and benefit Queenslanders for the long-term. Our industry is the largest private sector employer in Queensland, with workforces spanning right across the state and will be instrumental in the delivery of major projects ahead of the Games.

Given the significant contribution of our members, the Property Council is advocating for the establishment of an industry-focused taskforce or advisory group to support the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games Organising Committee.

Aside from its clearly articulated economic benefits, Brisbane 2032 presents a unique mechanism through which our state can engage across government, business and the community to create a shared long-term vision and deliver generational social, environmental and place-making benefits.

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Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback into this inquiry. We welcome the opportunity to discuss any aspect of this submission with the committee in more detail. If you have any questions in relation to the Property Council or this submission, please do not hesitate to contact me on or for the property.

Yours sincerely,

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