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Dear Ms Barbara Stone MP

Please find attached a submission from the Department of Infrastructure and Planning regarding the Queensland Constitution and Modernisation of Oaths and Affirmations - LCARC Issues Paper of May 2009.

Regards

Colm O'Byrne  
Executive Director  
Strategic Policy  
Department of Infrastructure and Planning

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18 May 2009

Ms Barbara Stone MP  
Chair  
Legal, Constitutional and Administrative Review Committee  
Parliament House  
George Street  
Brisbane QLD 4000

Dear Ms Stone

Thank you for your letters of 7 May 2009 to the Directors-General of the Department of Infrastructure and Planning and Local Government, Sport and Recreation about a preamble for the Queensland Constitution and modernisation of oaths and affirmations.

Please note that as a result of the post election rearrangement of departments, the Department of Infrastructure and Planning is now responsible for Local Government matters, and the Director-General of the previous Department of Local Government, Sport and Recreation is now the associate Director-General of this Department. The sport and recreation functions of the previous Department of Local Government, Sport and Racing have been transferred to the Department of Communities. I assume that department would have received a separate copy of your 7 May 2009 letter.

The Director-General has requested that I respond directly for the Department of Infrastructure and Planning in relation to the Issues Paper of May 2009.

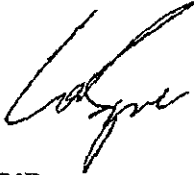
This Department supports the need for a Statement of Due Recognition of Queensland's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples, but has no specific suggestions for the wording.

In relation to an Aspirational Statement in commemoration of the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Queensland, LCARC may wish to consider also acknowledging that it is the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the local government system in Queensland (Brisbane was the first municipality declared in the area that became Queensland on 6 September 1859).

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I trust this information is of assistance. If you require any further information, please contact Colm O'Byrne, Executive Director, Executive Director, Strategy and Governance Group, Department of Infrastructure and Planning on 322 45431 who will be pleased to assist.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colm O'Byrne', written in a cursive style.

**Colm O'Byrne**  
**Executive Director**  
**Strategic Policy**