



Ipswich
City Council
Quality Lifestyle

11 September 1998

Dear Sir

Re: **Strategic Review of the Ombudsman**

Thank you for your letter dated 14 August 1998 seeking a submission from Ipswich City Council to the strategic review of the Queensland Ombudsman. I have not had sufficient time to put together a formal response from Council, however I offer the following comment in respect of the review.

The majority of the recommendations are aimed at improving the relationship between State Parliament and the Office of the Ombudsman and the internal operations of the Office of the Ombudsman and will have little impact upon the operations of the Council.

A number of the recommendations seek to improve the relationship between the Office of the Ombudsman and the state and local government agencies. These include recommendations R.5 to R.11 and whilst it is appreciated that their implementation will require more commitment and resources on the behalf of both Council and the Office of the Ombudsman, it is felt that there will be sufficient long term benefits to Council, the Office of the Ombudsman and the community to warrant their implementation.

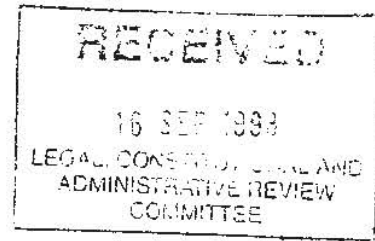
Please keep Council informed of the progress and outcomes of the review.

Yours faithfully

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**ACTING HEAD OF CORPORATE
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