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**BRISBANE CITY PLAN**

**Mr BEANLAND** (Indooroopilly—LP) (10.26 a.m.): The proposed Brisbane city plan currently on display abolishes many of the current rights of residents, including the rights of appeal in relation to small lot developments. It also fails to incorporate a transport or traffic plan and is detrimental to the lifestyle of the city. This Brisbane city plan proposed by the Brisbane City Council replaces the 1987 town plan.

The city plan is heavy on rhetoric and light on substance, particularly in relation to transport and traffic issues. It fails to address the need for an integrated public transport system within this city. For example, it lacks provision of Park & Ride facilities in a number of places, including in my own electorate of Indooroopilly. There is no real commitment in this city plan to improving public transport. Higher densities in themselves do not necessarily promote public transport use, but will certainly lead to an increase in traffic and congestion. In the past seven years, for example, there has been a population increase of some 10% in the city, but public transport patronage in the city as far as buses are concerned has risen by only 3%.

The city plan attempts to promote public transport use by allowing for increased development around transport nodes and major commercial centres. For example, three-storey multi-unit dwellings are allowed within 200 metres of a railway station, regardless of the current zoning or area. Also, up to 10 storeys are allowed in major shopping centres. Small allotments, residential accommodation and multi-unit dwellings will mushroom under this plan. This plan is designed, in fact, to allow our streets to become cluttered with traffic and to allow businesses to set up in residential streets. Under the current plan, people running home businesses cannot employ someone; they can only run the home business themselves. Under the new plan, they will be able to employ up to two people.

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