




Speech By
Hon. Tim Mander

MEMBER FOR EVERTON

ADJOURNMENT SPEECH

Queensland Plan

 **Hon. TL MANDER** (Everton—LNP) (Minister for Housing and Public Works) (9.14 pm): Tonight I rise in the House to speak about the Queensland Plan and how my electorate of Everton is planning to be involved in that plan. I would like to congratulate the Premier on having the vision to look beyond the normal three-year election cycle to develop a 30-year vision for this state. I think it is a great thing to have a leader who is thinking that far ahead, and I congratulate the Premier on that. I am looking forward to implementing this plan in my electorate.

In two weeks time we are all going to Mackay. Each member has the opportunity to select three people from their electorate to accompany them. I have had great pleasure in going about that process and making sure I have a diverse range of views represented in Mackay. The Mackay summit has two major goals and they are: to identify the series of questions that we need to ask to guide conversations across Queensland and also to discuss what engagement activities might work best in our local community to help facilitate and record these conversations and, ultimately, answer the questions.

I have a number of worthy people to select from in my electorate but I have settled with three people who, as I said, represent a range of views across the electorate. Mr Roger McIntosh is a physiotherapist in the electorate of Everton. He is obviously a small business owner and is also the president of the local Mitchelton soccer club, which has 900 members. Roger will be a fantastic delegate. Angela Soutis is a mum who is actively involved in her school. She is the president of the Albany Hills State School P&C and has children at the Albany Creek State High School as well. She will also be great. Amy Stevenson is a young lady who has just finished her university studies. She was recently discussing government policies with me in my electorate office. I thought, 'This is the type of person we need to represent the views of Everton.'

I am looking forward to those three people going to Mackay with me. I then intend to form a steering committee of 20 to 30 people from across the electorate who will be representative of the council, community groups, service clubs, P&Cs, sporting clubs, churches and youth groups. I am looking forward to that group coming together to work out how we are going to implement some of these policies and strategies in the electorate. Then I am going to conduct a survey of the electorate to ensure we get the views of the people right across the great electorate of Everton. I am looking forward to seeing the results of that survey and having some tangible outcomes.

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