




Speech By
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 **Mr MANDER** (Everton—LNP) (6.59 pm): I rise in the House to speak about two issues of great concern to the constituents of the electorate of Everton. Those concerns revolve around development. Most people think that development is inevitable. We need to make sure that the development that does occur is sustainable and is accepted and fits the community standard.

At the moment there are two areas in my electorate that are in dispute. At the southern end of my electorate on South Pine Road there is an area that is colloquially known as Murphy's paddock. This is an area that has been undeveloped for decades. It is only 15 minutes from the city. Up until six months ago there were cows in the paddock. It was great to see this touch of the rural in an urbanised area. Unfortunately Mr Murphy has now passed on and that land has been sold to developers. It is important that the development that takes place on that land takes into account the fact that we need green space, we do not want too much density and we also need appropriate access. There are narrow streets in this area. Ashmore Street, Barrymore Street, Venning Street and Newhaven Street are narrow enough as it is and to have increased traffic on them will cause great distress to local residents.

I am calling on the Brisbane City Council to ensure that the development that takes place in Murphy's paddock is appropriate and that there is proper consultation. I have started a petition about this issue and I will advise local residents when the formal submission stage commences.

At the other end of my electorate, the northern part of my electorate which I have just inherited with the electoral redistribution, we have the Warner area. The Moreton Bay Regional Council has talked about the Warner Investigation Area. They are going to change the classification of the land use in the area to emerging communities or future generations rather than rural/residential which it is at the moment.

The residents of that area are concerned that they have not been communicated with very clearly. The communication that they have received is very hard to understand. I am calling on the Moreton Bay Regional Council to listen to the concerns of those residents who are worried about development and the appropriate infrastructure that needs to be provided. They are worried about the koalas and other wildlife. I call on the Moreton Bay Regional Council to listen to the concerns of residents and please respond to them because this is a beautiful area and we want to make sure it is appropriately developed.