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Dear Councillor Sutherland

*Allan,*

My office has recently received representations from Mr Shane King MP, Member for Kurwongbah, regarding the operation of the Lakeside Park raceway.

As you may know, the raceway's importance is recognised within the South East Queensland Regional Plan 2017 (*ShapingSEQ*) as a 'special use'. *ShapingSEQ* seeks to protect the raceway from encroachment by sensitive and incompatible activities.

It is clear that we need urgent resolution of this matter to provide certainty to both the operator and community.

Moving forward, I recommend the council explores, in detail, the following options to establish a more definitive framework for the ongoing operation of the raceway:

1. Change Application under the Planning Act, 2016

I understand the current conditions of approval limit how the raceway can operate and in turn the type of events it can host. It is open for your officers to work with the operator to seek a change to the current conditions of the approval, via a change application under the *Planning Act 2016*. Under this option the Council would need to consider extending the hours of operation and increasing the decibel rating for local, national and international racing events.

2. Amend the Planning Scheme

Council could consider an amendment to the *Moreton Bay Regional Council Planning Scheme 2016* to provide clearer provisions relating to the raceway. This could include reviewing how the raceway is defined and other provisions in the current planning scheme to determine whether the current definition is appropriate to facilitate the long-term use of the site as a raceway.

This approach will ensure the *Moreton Bay Regional Council Planning Scheme 2016* aligns with *ShapingSEQ*, that already recognises the site's regional significance. It will also help facilitate future development applications over the raceway site.

3. Changes to the existing lease

A review of the existing leasing arrangements should be undertaken to determine if *special consent* (as referred to in the current conditions of the development approval) can be given by the council (as landowner) for the raceway to operate outside of the noise limits set out in the conditions of approval.

Officers of the Department of State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning (the department) are available to support the council to work through these matters and any other options available under the current planning framework.

I am open to considering and assisting the council with a fast-tracked amendment through the current Qualified state interest amendment pathway under the Ministers Guidelines and Rules.

I recommend your council officers meet with Mr Garth Nolan, Manager, Planning and Development Services in the department. Mr Nolan can be contacted on (07) 5352 9710 or [garth.nolan@dsgmip.qld.gov.au](mailto:garth.nolan@dsgmip.qld.gov.au) and will be pleased to assist council.

If you have any questions about my advice to you, please contact my office on (07) 3719 7200 or email [statedevelopment@ministerial.qld.gov.au](mailto:statedevelopment@ministerial.qld.gov.au).

Yours sincerely



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