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Dear Mr  
McAnespie,

Understanding this may be quite unusual, however I am writing in regards to the IPC hearing on the Showground Corporation submission, and the public transcripts documenting the meetings had between the IPC and each of the parties submitting their viewpoints on the proposal.

For the record

I am a resident of Showground, and have been watching closely over the development, or lack of within the precinct, since the release of the Metro Line Strategy in 2013.

It is

particularly with the Council transcript that I am bemused, and the emphasis placed on the lack of infrastructure, specifically a school. This item has been on the agenda for development since the Minister of Castle Hill, Ray Williams, introduced it in 2015, post the exhibition of the draft Precinct Plan from the Department of Planning.

I raise

this issue, not to persuade, or dissuade any outcome from the IPC, but to highlight the disingenuous response from the Council, when paralleled with the attached letter my wife received in August of 2018 from the Department of Education.

That letter  
clearly stating:

--[if !supportLists]-->1- <!--[endif]-->Expansion of schools is underway to accommodate the additional requirements of education in the precinct:

--[if !supportLists]-->2- <!--[endif]-->The commitment of \$6B from the state Government in Education expansion, delivering addition 170 schools: and

--[if !supportLists]-->3- <!--[endif]-->The statement that confirms the Department of Education “regularly consults with relevant departments and agencies such as the Department of Planning and Environment, the local council and local developers.”.

The residents of the Showground Precinct were challenged by the Exhibited Precinct Proposal to consolidate with neighbours to allow the concept of good Master-planned outcomes, and we have seen every proposal submitted to Council since 2015 rejected under unprecedented DCP requirements, whilst the Councils own land is excessively developed within the Castle Hill precinct, where no such limitations or demands are placed on those Council developments.

We watch eagerly to see a fair and independent assessment on the Merits of the Showground Proposal, and the pending recommendation,

Kind  
regards

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