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Honourable Anastacia Palaszczuk MP
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Dear Premier

On behalf of peak organisation OSCAR (Organisation Sunshine Coast Association of Residents), I would like to follow-up our previous correspondence on the proposed Bill (*Local Government Electoral (Implementing Belcarra) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2017*).

In a recent letter from your Deputy Chief of Staff to OSCAR it was stated that:

"The Queensland Government has committed to reintroduce legislation, which lapsed with the dissolution of the 55th Parliament, to implement recommendations of the Operation Belcarra report, including banning developer donations." [Ref: DILGP/ECP TF/1 7/16108 – MCI 7/5216]

Despite this assurance we are concerned by recent media reports that indicated that your Government appears less committed to a timely implementation of this legislation than we had expected.

Can you confirm that this reform is still high on the Government's agenda despite that fact that you are reported to have indicated the legislation will not be introduced until later in the year? Specifically, can you confirm if/when the Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee will recommence considering the proposed Bill, when will it be introduced into Parliament and whether the ban on developer donations is to be retrospectively applied from October 2017?

A timely response from you on this matter would be greatly appreciated so I can reassure our member organisations and the wider community of the continuing commitment of your Government to this essential reform.

Yours sincerely

Greg Smith
President