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Department of  
**State Development,  
Manufacturing,  
Infrastructure and Planning**

Dear Mr Smith

Thank you for your letter of 3 September 2018 to the Honourable Cameron Dick MP, Minister for State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning, about extending the public consultation period on a proposed amendment to the *Sunshine Coast Planning Scheme 2014* (planning scheme). The Minister has asked that I respond on his behalf.

As you are aware, public consultation for the proposed amendment was undertaken from 30 July 2018 to 7 September 2018 for a total of 30 business days. I confirm this period is consistent with the requirements of Statutory guideline 01/16: Making and amending local planning instruments. Furthermore, this period is consistent with the communication strategy submitted by the Sunshine Coast Regional Council (the council) as part of the state interest review.

I note that you met with council officers on 3 August 2018, and that the possibility of an extension of the consultation period was requested at that time. As you have advised, the council has written to you advising that the timeframe would not be extended.

As the public consultation period has now closed, I hope that you took the opportunity to make a formal submission to the council. However, if you were unable to make a submission during the formal consultation period, I encourage you to contact the council's Strategic Planning Branch to discuss the opportunity for a late submission on (07) 5420 8014 or [planningscheme@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au](mailto:planningscheme@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au).

The council is now required to consider all properly made submissions and it must prepare a written consultation report addressing the submissions. This report must be made available on the council's website. The council is also required to notify persons who have made a properly made submission about how the council has dealt with the submission. Please contact the council to seek information about how and when the consultation report will be made available. The council may make changes to the proposed amendments, as a result of the public consultation process, and prior to requesting approval from the Planning Minister to adopt the proposed amendment.

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I encourage you to discuss the outcomes of the submissions review with the council directly once this information is available.

If you require any further information, please contact Mr Garth Nolan, Manager, Planning and Development Services – SEQ North, Department of State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning, on (07) 5352 9710 or [garth.nolan@dsdmip.qld.gov.au](mailto:garth.nolan@dsdmip.qld.gov.au), who will be pleased to assist.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Steve Conner', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Steve Conner  
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