



Garth HAMILTON MP

Federal Member for **Groom**

Listening. Working for you!



Hon Catherine King MP
Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development
and Local Government
PO Box 6022
House of Representatives
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600

RE: Railway Parklands, Toowoomba

Dear Minister

I refer to my numerous Questions in Writing regarding the South East Queensland City Deal, particularly as it relates to the Railway Parklands project in Toowoomba.

Minister, it is alarming that other SEQ City Deal projects are progressing such as the Brisbane Valley Highway upgrades and Springfield to Ipswich Public Transport options analysis. I note these two projects are in the Labor held seat of Blair.

Meanwhile, the Railway Parklands project appears to have stalled. This is a project that will revitalise the CBD, and deliver further housing in my electorate. I am sure you are aware, particularly as a regional Member of Parliament, the significant pressures on housing.

Minister, previous answers to my questions have not provided any clear indication as to the future of this project, including commencement timeframes or the expenditure of funds. This is concerning.

The implementation is very light on detail and does not shed any light on this projects future, it leaves my community in the dark, including local businesses. Minister, I politely urge you to seek an update from your State and Local SEQ City Deal counterparts on this project to allay growing community concerns at the delays.

Yours sincerely

**GARTH HAMILTON MP
FEDERAL MEMBER FOR GROOM**

16 November 2023