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Mr Tom Duncan Clerk **ACT Legislative Assembly London Circuit** CANBERRA ACT 2601

Dear Mr Duncan

Thank you for your letter of 14 August 2018 regarding Petition No 11-18 lodged by Ms Joy Burch MLA regarding improvements to the Tuggeranong Town Centre.

I acknowledge Tuggeranong residents' request to improve their Town Centre in line with the Tuggeranong Town Centre Master Plan.

I am pleased to advise that this work is underway and commenced in 2016-17 with improvements to Anketell Street, between Pittman Street and Reed Street North, in the Tuggeranong Town Centre. A preliminary design for creating a more pedestrian friendly and inviting Town Centre environment in this area was prepared in consultation with the Tuggeranong community and a portion of the design, the entry area to the laneway from Anketell Street to the lake, was constructed.

A feasibility study and concept plans for improving the laneway connection from Anketell Street to the Lake Tuggeranong foreshore were completed in April 2018 in consultation with key public stakeholders including the Tuggeranong Community Council, other community representatives, leaseholders and traders. It is expected that construction of works in line with the concept plans will commence in the next twelve months, further the gazebo in the laneway was removed in June 2018.

The 2018-19 Active Travel program has provisioned \$4.0 million to continue Tuggeranong Town Centre improvements over the next three financial years and includes the detailed design and construction improvements in the laneway from Anketell Street to Lake Tuggeranong. Community consultation on the concept plans completed in 2018 for the laneway upgrade will begin shortly.

I trust that this information assures you that the concerns regarding the laneway are being addressed.

Yours sincerely____

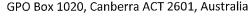
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