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Via email: mayor@redland.qld.gov.au

Dear Cr Williams

Thank you for your letter outlining the Redland City Council's priorities for the Queensland state election. Our local candidates – Matt McEachan, Mark Robinson, Julie Talty and Cameron Leafe – are true advocates for their communities and have a clear plan to build a better Redlands.

Unfortunately, Queenslanders aren't getting ahead and the community is crying out for leadership because Annastacia Palaszczuk and Labor are doing nothing.

Labor is stuck in neutral and the Redlands is paying the price, through higher car registration, soaring electricity bills and a lack of congestion busting infrastructure.

When our finances aren't managed properly, governments do not have the funds to provide the services that a growing state needs – in our hospitals, a better education for our children, more resources for our police to protect the community from drugs and crime and investing in infrastructure that creates jobs and improves our standard of living.

A Tim Nicholls-led Liberal National government will **Build a Better Queensland**. The LNP's plan will create jobs, support small business, invest in education to raise standards and provide better services for families and retirees.

An LNP Government has five key priorities to create positive change for Queensland. If elected, we will –

- 1. Create jobs across Queensland and better manage our finances
- 2. Take action on the cost of living
- 3. Better support Queensland families
- 4. Provide safe and liveable communities
- 5. Build the roads, bridges and dams we need

We have already made a number of commitments which will benefit the Redlands, including:

- \$45 million to upgrade Cleveland-Redland Bay Road at Thornlands and between Magnolia Parade and Boundary Street
- \$10 million to help deliver jobs and economic development on North Stradbroke Island following Labor's political decision to shut down sand mining
- Delivering a Redlands Hospital Master Plan through our Hospitals Planning Commission
- Classroom upgrades at Victoria Point State School, Redland Bay State School, Redlands District Special School and Russell Island State School
- \$975,000 to build an all-tide access boat ramp at the Southern end of Russell Island

- \$100,000 grant for Coochiemudlo Island Coast Care
- Delivering a Victoria Point Boating Master Plan
- Study to duplicate Mount Cotton Road

The Cleveland Rail Line has also been hit hard by Labor's Rail Fail, with 42 fewer services a week. The LNP has a plan to restore these services and get people back on public transport.

The LNP will act to ease the cost of living. Unfortunately Annastacia Palaszczuk broke her promise not to increase taxes. The LNP will freeze the cost of family car rego (saving a family with two 6-cylinder cars \$200) and provide seniors with half-priced driver licences and free off-peak bus and train travel.

Our electricity plan will save a typical family an average of \$160 a year over the next two years. We will deliver these savings by increasing competition in wholesale electricity and removing Labor's gold plating from existing network charges. These changes will help small businesses and industry to reduce costs and create jobs.

We have been travelling the state and listening to the concerns of Queenslanders. They want better government – not more government. It's our commitment to be a common sense government that listens, plans and acts to **Build a Better Queensland**.

Kind regards

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