Title: South East Queensland Regional Planning Committee

Date: Meeting no. 9, 2 June 2011
Time: 10.15am to 12.10pm
Venue: The Queensland Room, 100 George Street, Brisbane
Chair: The Hon Paul Lucas MP, Deputy Premier, Attorney-General, Minister for Local Government and Special Minister of State

Attendees
The Hon Paul Lucas MP, Deputy Premier, Attorney-General, Minister for Local Government and Special Minister of State (Chair); The Hon Annastacia Palaszczuk MP; The Hon Kate Jones MP; The Hon Karen Struthers MP; Mr John O’Connell (representing Minister Fraser); Mr Graham Fraine (representing Minister Wallace); Mr Bruce Turner (representing Minister Mulherin); Mr John Bradley (representing Minister Robertson); Cr Paul Pisasale, Cr Bob Abbot; Cr Graham Quirk; Mr Paul Eagles; Mr Michael Lockwood (representing the Commonwealth)

Apologies
The Hon Andrew Fraser MP; The Hon Tim Mulherin MP; The Hon Stephen Robertson MP; The Hon Craig Wallace MP; Cr Allan Sutherland; Cr John Brent; Mr Tony Carmichael (Commonwealth proxy); Hon Senator Jan McLucas

Advisers/observers
Mr Tony Roberts, Mr John Lane (DERM); Mr Tad Bagdon (Queensland Water Commission); Mr Jack Noye, Mr Gary White, Mr Michael Papageorgiou, Ms Amy Marsden, Mr Darren Crombie, Mr Lance Glare, Mr Mick Capelin (DLGP); Mr Damien Walker, Mr Ben Thurecht, Mr Ian Hart, Mr Peter Stanley, Ms Stephanie Challen, Mr Malcolm Letts, Mr Andy Woodhouse, Mr Andrew Gormley (DEEDI); Mr Jonathon Scott (Minister Fraser’s office); Ms Karen Robinson (Minister Jones’ Office); Ms Natalie Ormsby (TMR); Ms Nicole Bisson (Deputy Premier’s office)

Mr Anthony Jones, Mr John Cherry (CoMSEQ); Mr Malcolm Keeble (Sunshine Coast Regional Council); Ms Linda Bradby, Mr Dylan Smith (Moreton Bay Regional Council); Mr Bruce James (Logan City Council); Prof. Darryl Low-Choy (RLOSAC);

DLGP staff
Mr Mike McKeown, Ms Carly-Rae Tatten, Ms Cathy Anstey

Visitor
Dr John Abbott
1. Minutes of RPC meeting no. 8

The draft minutes of the previous meeting were agreed to by the Committee.  

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2. Actions arising from RPC meeting no. 8

The actions arising from the previous meeting were noted, with the following comments:

2.1 Bilateral meetings

Bilateral meetings between the Deputy Premier and SEQ Mayors have commenced and are progressing well, with more meetings to follow.

Cr Graham Quirk arrived at 10.20am.

2.2 Regulatory reforms and development assessment referrals

State government’s review of development assessment referrals is underway and three departments, Local Government and Planning, Environment and Resource Management, and Transport and Main Roads, are currently part of the review.

The Deputy Premier said he welcomed this approach and would be interested in a response from Local Government on this matter.

2.3 Infrastructure Charges Taskforce Report and Government response

The Deputy Premier said that Victoria has followed Queensland and now also has an Infrastructure Charges Taskforce.

Infrastructure charge differences between two and three bedroom dwellings was then discussed.

Cr Quirk supported the option that detached houses are charged at the three-bedroom rate, and then a rebate offered for two-bedroom dwellings. It was noted that the HIA (Housing Industry of Australia) and MBA (Master Builders Australia) have indicated they share this view.

Mr Paul Eagles commented that the ULDA is pursuing adaptable housing designs but that the building industry has been conservative in its response thus far. Cr Quirk said that Logan City Council was investigating flexible housing options.

2.4 Development assessment fees

A panel is being established to continue dialogue on this issue.

Discussion continued around appropriate charges when changing existing approvals, rebates, and appropriateness of cost recovery for certain types of development application, and the possibility of charging hourly rates for development assessment.

3. SEQ Regional Plan implementation priorities

Nine projects and programs were identified as important to the implementation of the SEQ Regional Plan in 2011/12.

Cr Quirk asked that an additional priority should be added to the nine ‘reporting
### Priorities

- **Item**: Develop the SEQ component of the Queensland Infrastructure Plan (QIP).

This suggestion was agreed.

The Deputy Premier asked how these actions would be reported on. A summary report against the ‘top 10’ project milestones could be provided to each meeting. Cr Abbot said that any significant shifts or changes for the list of ‘other actions’ should be advised to the RPC.

Cr Quirk said that the project to review development assessment referral triggers might be added to the list. Mr John Bradley advised that the referral review process is a priority for DERM, and that consultation is expected in July.

The Deputy Premier requesting that Local Governments provide the State with examples of referral issues for discussion and consideration.

### Presentation to Dr John Abbott

The Deputy Premier made a special presentation to Dr John Abbott who was present as a visitor to the meeting, to thank Dr Abbott for his contributions to regional planning in South East Queensland over the past two decades.

### Industrial Land Issues in SEQ

- **Item**: Mr Damian Walker, Deputy Coordinator-General, made a presentation about the results of the Industrial Land Monitoring Program (ILMP) study into industrial land supply in SEQ.

- **Action**: Mr Ben Thurecht, Director, Industrial Land Analysis Unit, DEEDI, added that the data included in the ILMP was provided by SEQ Councils.

- **Action**: Members discussed the findings of the ILMP research. The importance of mayors and industry being involved in the process was emphasised.

- **Action**: The Deputy Premier said there was value in using the RPC to report on changes to the ILMP. This could perhaps be included as a matter ‘for noting’. He added that updated reports could potentially be presented to and consulted with Council of Mayors (SEQ) prior to release. Cr Quirk said he supported this approach.

- **Action**: Cr Pisasale said that Mayors needed to be well briefed on the content of the reports. He also noted that care needed to be used with terminology used, such as ‘noxious’ industry. Members discussed industrial land supply issues for each Local Government area, the need to encourage industrial development across the region and reduce pressure on transport network from commuters, and infrastructure requirements.

- **Action**: The Government Planner said that the ILMP study would inform the next review of the SEQ Regional Plan, which would have a greater focus on employment and economic development.

### SEQ Local Government Planning Scheme Amendments and New Planning Schemes (Progress Report)

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### Item 6. Rural futures, greenspace and cane lands opportunities

Noting that Cr Brent was absent from the meeting, members agreed to defer discussion of rural futures governance arrangements.

The Deputy Premier further advised that he was still considering the options outlined in the report. He said he would write to members out of session and discuss rural futures at bilateral meetings with SEQ mayors.

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### Item 7. Council of Mayors (SEQ) report

Cr Quirk spoke to the Council of Mayors (SEQ) report. He requested that the agenda papers for future RPC meetings be distributed as early as possible. The Deputy Premier concurred.

#### 7.1 SEQ Urban Development Areas

Mr Eagles said that discussions had commenced with councils and state agencies in relation to infrastructure provision for Urban Development Areas. He added that by the time development schemes are complete, the infrastructure arrangements would be understood.

Cr Abbot said that ‘good’ Sunshine Coast infrastructure agreements had been developed in the past, and that expectations remain the same for future projects.

Mr Bruce James of Logan City Council confirmed that issues of infrastructure funding were of importance to Logan.

#### 7.2 Major projects – development assessment pipeline

The Deputy Premier invited mayors to advise of any ‘major issue’ projects.

#### 7.3 Marginal rural and regional lands

The Deputy Premier asked the mayors how the ‘marginal rural land’ sites were identified.

Cr Quirk said these were generally sites which create a link between parcels of environmental land and open spaces.

The Deputy Premier said care was needed when determining the best future use for these sites. He added that the state and councils need to work together to determine the best future use for these sites.

#### 7.4 DA reform project

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The Deputy Premier noted the request to expand the ‘Target 5 Days’ project, and said that this was under consideration by government.

7.5 Coastal planning
Minister Jones commented on the process for preparing Coastal Hazard Adaptation Strategies and that councils have three to five years to do this work.

She added that COAG has formed a new standing committee to look at legal liability issues around the effects of climate change.

7.6 Other
The Deputy Premier congratulated Cr Quirk and Cr Abbot in their appointments to the roles of Chair and Deputy Chair respectively of Council of Mayors (SEQ).

Cr Quirk requested that the State Government release the SEQ Climate Change Program.

The Deputy Premier also noted that he intends to consult with mayors on the process for Ministerial ‘call ins’. He also advised that the Hon Senator Jan McLucas has been nominated to join the RPC as the Commonwealth representative.

The Deputy Premier also asked Cr Quirk about the status of a proposal for a trail bike facility at Pinkenba. Cr Quirk advised that he would investigate.

8. Regional Landscape and Open Space Advisory Committee report
The contents of the report were noted, and the attendance of Professor Darryl Low Choy at the meeting was acknowledged.

9. CEOs Committee for Natural Resource Management in SEQ report
The contents of the report were noted.

10. Other business
There was no other business.

11. Date of next meeting and future SEQ RPC meetings
The Deputy Premier noted that the next proposed RPC meeting date, 18 August 2011, clashes with a Commonwealth Senate sitting day, and would be reviewed.

The Deputy Premier thanked the members and closed the meeting at 12.10 pm.