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Mr Peter Elford
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cc Mr Mark Scarborough
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Dear Mr Elford 

Thank you for your email of 16 April 2020, on behalf of the Gungahlin Community Council, supporting the views of Mr Mark Scarborough regarding the Gungahlin Cinema development. I also note the follow-up email sent by Mr Scarborough to me on 24 April 2020. This letter is a reply to each of those emails.

I note the concerns raised about parking provision in relation to the development. I understand that a presentation of the proposal to the Gungahlin Community Council in August 2019 included a clear reference that 130 car spaces would be provided. My understanding is that the presentation was welcomed by the Community Council and the Council chose not to provide a representation on the development application. I also understand that you contacted the developer in February 2020 stating your support for the development and expressing concern that the ACT Government was unnecessarily delaying the development.

I am also advised that the developer expressed a strong position that if additional basement parking is required, the development would be financially jeopardised and that the development would not proceed under such circumstances.

A cinema development for the Gungahlin town centre has been keenly anticipated by the Gungahlin community for some time. I am sure you will agree that this cinema will help to diversify the range of activities in the town centre and establish itself as a vibrant destination.

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I have asked Mr Ben Ponton, Director-General, Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate (and Chief Planner), to write to you and address the more technical matters raised in your email that fall within the independent statutory role of the planning and land authority.

Thank you for raising your concerns with me.

Yours sincerely



Mick Gentleman MLA
Minister for Planning and Land Management

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