Subject: Gungahlin: Residential Towers and the Town Centre

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Dear Gary

Minister Fitzharris has suggested that I approach you regarding some issues the Gungahlin Community Council (GCC) has raised through our social media platform (www.facebook.com/gungahlin) and website (www.gcc.asn.au).

Specifically, the GCC published the following article (late) on 27th November:

Getting Development Right for the Town Centre – The Gungahlin Residential Towers Story

http://www.gcc.asn.au/news/gungahlin-residential-towers

This was subsequently reported by the ABC:

http://www.abc.net.au/radio/canberra/programs/breakfast/questions-over-tall-buildings-and-gungahlin-height-limits/8063512

And also on WIN News. There has been a high level of response to FaceBook articles referencing the article.

The article raises a number of concerns regarding the transformation of the Office Park precinct into a very high density collection of mixed-use residential towers. It highlights the lack of cohesion there appears to be in how these developments are approved, particularly in the context of the overall town centre plan, and the community's understanding of what is permitted.

The Minister suggested it might be possible for the members of the GCC executive to meet with you to discuss this article and the issues it has identified. Further, it might be opportune if you or someone from with your Directorate could address these issues at the next public meeting of the GGC on December 14th, 6:30pm, Gungahlin Library.

Regards

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