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Dear Mr Laurie

Thank you for your letter of 24 February 2023 regarding petition 3787-22 received by the Queensland Legislative Assembly on 21 February 2023.

The Queensland Regional Accommodation Centre (QRAC) at Wellcamp was designed as a purpose-built quarantine and isolation facility to directly support the health response to the COVID-19 global pandemic, and in line with Chief Health Officer directions.

Following the decision in August 2022 by the Chief Health Officer that a dedicated regional quarantine facility was no longer needed, QRAC was placed in care and maintenance.

QRAC is a world class facility, built to keep the COVID-19 virus contained, the design of the facility and its location means that other uses of the facility are not straightforward.

A number of representatives from labour hire companies, NGOs, state and local government agencies have inspected the facility and the Queensland Government has worked with all parties interested in the facility.

The facility remains available until the end of the current lease. Following that, its future use will be determined by Wagner Corporation.

I would like to thank the petitioners for raising this matter with me and I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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