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Mr Neil Laurie
The Clerk of the Parliament
Queensland Parliamentary Service
Parliament House
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Dear Mr Laurie

Thank you for your letter of 19 March 2004 forwarding a copy of a petition received by the House on 18 March 2004 concerning a development proposal for 48-68 Windermere Road, Alexandra Hills.

A search of the Environmental Protection Agency's databases has found that the site has no known values of State significance. However, the Redland Shire Council has identified local conservation values.

The site is currently owned by Education Queensland and, as it is surplus to requirements, the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy is disposing of the land on the Department's behalf.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

JOHN MICKEL
Minister for Environment

Mr Neil Laurie
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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to the petition lodged with the Queensland Legislative Assembly on 18 March 2004 by Mr Michael Choi, MP on behalf of residents of the suburb of Alexandra Hills, requesting that the Windemere Road State School site currently held by Education Queensland (EQ) be vested in the local area as parkland.

I am responding to individual petitioners advising them that EQ is in the process of relinquishing this property. The relinquishment process is being undertaken according to the principles as set out in the Government Asset Management System, for which Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy is the lead agent. There is an obligation on the part of EQ to proceed under this directive.

The reply also indicates that once the formal relinquishment process had been completed, Redland City Council would have the opportunity to purchase the property under normal commercial processes.

Please contact Mr Richard Churchman, Manager, Facilities Program Development Unit on telephone (07) 3237 0740 should you require any further information.

Yours sincerely

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Minister for the Arts

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