

Hon Ann Leahy MP Minister for Local Government and Water and Minister for Fire, Disaster Recovery and Volunteers

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Mr Neil Laurie The Clerk of the Parliament Parliament House Corner of Alice and George Streets BRISBANE QLD 4000

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Dear Mr Laurie

Thank you for your letter regarding petition 4081-24 received by the Queensland Legislative Assembly on 28 November 2024 about Victoria Park in Brisbane.

Under the *City of Brisbane Act 2010,* the Brisbane City Council (the Council) is responsible for the good rule and local government of Brisbane. This responsibility includes managing Brisbane's parkland and other green spaces and planning how to best use those areas for the benefit of residents.

Because of its responsibility for the Brisbane local government area, the Council is best placed to determine how Victoria Park is to be used for the public benefit. It would not be appropriate for legislation to limit the Council's powers in relation to the park, or to constrain the purposes for which the Council's powers can be exercised.

If they have not already done so, petitioners are encouraged to forward their concerns to <u>https://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/about-council/contact</u> regarding the use of Victoria Park for Council's consideration.

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

If you have any questions, please contact Mr Angus McCaffrey, A/Chief of Staff on 0424 683 186 or Angus.McCaffrey@ministerial.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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