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Member for Mulgrave

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Dear Mr Laurie



Minister for Main Roads and Local Government

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Thank you for providing me with a copy of the wording of petition number 1004-08 lodged with the Queensland Legislative Assembly regarding Burnett Shire Council's proposal to ban camping in certain areas throughout the Shire.

The Department of Local Government, Sport and Recreation contacted Council regarding this matter. Council advise that Palm Beach, Coona, Norville Park and Litterbella Creek have never been registered officially as camping grounds.

Although it has never been legal for people to camp at these places, Council has advised is has only recently been enforcing the prohibition on camping.

Council also advise that an extensive information campaign was conducted to increase public awareness of this issue once the decision to enforce the prohibition was made. This advice was distributed to local media outlets, associated community groups, recreational agencies and National Parks and Wildlife.

Notification advising visitors and residents that camping is not permitted on or in parklands, roads, reserves, beaches or the esplanades within the Burnett Shire, whether it is in cars, caravans, tents, motor homes, or campervans is also contained on Council's website.

Council is considering the possibility of establishing a small area within Norville Park as a restricted and permit-required camping area. All enquiries regarding this issue should be directed to Burnett Shire Council on telephone number 07 4150 5400, or by writing to the Chief Executive Officer, Burnett Shire Council, Locked Bag 1, Bargara Old 4670.

Yours sincerely

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