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Dear Ms Bowles and Mr Boyle

Citizens' Assembly – Brooklyn

I wish to update you on Council's consideration of the Brooklyn Community Association (BCA) and Dangar Island League's (DIL) request for Council to consider a Citizens' Assembly to address the issue of car parking within Brooklyn.

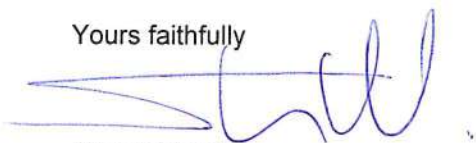
As you are aware, Council engaged Dr Helen Christensen to provide independent advice on your proposal as well as to provide advice on best practice principles for determining consultation methodologies. I understand that Dr Christensen interviewed representatives from the BCA and DIL in preparing her presentation. I appreciate the time that you have given to speak to Dr Christensen about this matter.

In summary, Councillors received a presentation from Dr Christensen on 16 June 2021. Dr Christensen provided Councillors with an overview of her assessment of the BCA and DIL proposal against engagement design needs and provided suggested ways forward. It was agreed that Council should follow best practice principles by defining the project context, scope and purpose before the engagement methodology can be determined. Attached is a summary of Dr Christensen's presentation to Councillors that she has prepared for you.

I note that Dr Christensen has recommended a way forward to ensure ongoing collaboration between the community and staff in progressing the Brooklyn Place Plan. This process will ensure that key stakeholders, can come together and contribute to the formation of a consultant's brief to progress the Brooklyn Place Plan once the project focus, scope and other opportunities and constraints have been identified. Essentially, this consultant's brief will be put to the consultancy market and the market will be asked to respond with an appropriate engagement methodology.

To keep the momentum on the Brooklyn Place Plan rolling I have asked for the results of the Discussion Paper – Brooklyn Place Planning to be brought to the July General Meeting of Council. The Place Plan is budgeted for delivery in 2021/222 and so I look forward to working with you and the new Council (elected in September 2021) to progress the Brooklyn Place Plan.

Yours faithfully



Steven Head
General Manager

Attachment: Report – Brooklyn Place Engagement - Dr Christensen
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