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Dear Minister,

I write on behalf of my constituents in relation to Landcom's plans for land at Glenfield around Hurlstone Agricultural High School.

Feedback I received from a recent community consultation session at the school has once again highlighted the importance of retaining the Hurlstone Farm and surrounding land as a priority.

The Hurlstone Farm and surrounding land provides invaluable green open space for a community hit hard by the impacts of overdevelopment. Further, a fully-functioning Farm and working dairy enables students to gain a quality agricultural education and continue the proud Hurlstone tradition.

The green open space is also vital for students' well-being, particularly for those at the hilltop schools of Ajuga, Campbell House and Glenfield Park. The students at these schools have special needs and the green vista is crucial to their schooling and overall well-being.

The Hurlstone school community is concerned that the masterplan for the adjoining subdivision will supersede a business case for the school. This leaves the school's future ability to manage a fully-functioning dairy and continue to be a leader in agricultural education in doubt.

It is essential that any plans for the Glenfield Precinct meet the needs of Hurlstone Agricultural High School first and foremost. I therefore call for the masterplan process to be suspended until Hurlstone Agricultural High School has had an opportunity to develop a business case in consultation with the broader school community.

The Hurlstone Farm and its adjoining land must be retained to ensure the school can continue its long and proud agricultural tradition. The preservation of green open space is also vitally important for our growing community.

I would be grateful for your advice on the matters raised.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Anoulack Chanthivong'.

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