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Dear Mr Uhlmann

David,  
Thank you for your letter of 23 November 2018 providing the response of the Australian Institute of Landscape Architects (AILA) to the options for the Southport Spit (The Spit) master plan.

Firstly, I would like to acknowledge the valuable contribution that AILA has made to the preparation of The Spit master plan through the Key Stakeholder Group and in attending our workshop series. I understand that the Department of State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning (the department) and AILA were able to collaborate to host the successful breakfast event about the master plan at the Sheraton Grand Mirage on 13 November 2018.

I am pleased that AILA is supportive of the master plan, and I note your positive comments about the comprehensive and inclusive nature of the project's consultation program.

It is my firm belief that through engaging widely and authentically with the community, industry and practitioners, we can create a legacy for The Spit and a true asset for the Gold Coast and broader South East Queensland region.

The department is currently reviewing the feedback received during public consultation on the master plan options. This feedback, together with your submission, will inform the preparation of a consolidated draft master plan which is expected to be released in early 2019.

I would encourage AILA to continue to engage with the master planning process to help us to ensure that the final master plan delivers a clear and cohesive vision for the future of The Spit.

If you require any further information, please contact Ms Rebecca Kenny, Director, Priority Planning Projects, in the department, on (07) 3452 7384 or [rebecca.kenny@dsdmip.qld.gov.au](mailto:rebecca.kenny@dsdmip.qld.gov.au), who will be pleased to assist.

Yours sincerely

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