



City of Ipswich  
Queensland, Australia

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Ms Vivienne Courto  
Inquiry Secretary  
Public Works Committee  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Ms Courto

**RAAF Airbase Amberley Redevelopment Stage 2  
Submission to a Parliamentary Inquiry**

I would like to take this opportunity to advise that Ipswich City Council acknowledges the benefits that the redevelopment will bring to the Ipswich region.

Council has established an excellent working relationship with the Department of Defence in developing the Town Planning Scheme over many years and it is this partnership that has made the redevelopment possible.

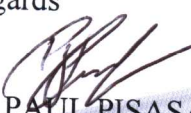
The Town Planning Scheme encourages development at RAAF Airbase Amberley and has been designed to protect the operating efficiency of the Airbase through a number of conditions relating to building heights, lighting controls and an extensive buffer zone, all designed to ensure that other developments do not affect operations on the Airbase.

We welcome the economic benefits that the redevelopment will bring to our region and look forward to working with industry and all levels of government to capitalise on these opportunities.

The Department of State Development, Trade and Innovation has recently purchased land in the area for the establishment of an Aerospace Industry Park. The redevelopment of the Airbase will provide a catalyst for the development of this industrial park and provide further economic benefits for our region.

I look forward to working with the Department of Defence to assist with this redevelopment of RAAF Base Amberley.

Regards

  
**CR PAUL PISASALE**  
**Mayor of the City of Ipswich**  
**Chairperson of Economic Development Committee**

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