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Dear Mr Worthington

Thank you for your emails of 6 November and 4 December 2012 about the appointment of the Joint Select Committee on the Constitutional Recognition of Local Government.

The Queensland Government supports appropriate recognition of local government in the Commonwealth Constitution. However, any recognition must not diminish the states' primary constitutional responsibility for local government.

I would appreciate being kept informed of the work of the Joint Select Committee.

The Queensland Government intends to give full consideration to any specific approaches that may be developed in relation to this matter when the opportunity arises.

Again, thank you for bringing this matter to my attention.

Yours sincerely

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