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Mick Gentleman MLA  
Minister for Planning and Land Management  
Minister for the Environment and Heritage

Dear Minister

On 24 December, I wrote to you regarding Murrumbidgee Country Club's difficult financial situation and requesting your advice and assistance in progressing our Planning Application.

You will recall from that correspondence that, in March 2018, the Club lodged a Planning Report with DPSDD seeking to rezone up to three parcels of land for residential purposes. The Club incurred costs in the order of \$90,000 in preparing the Planning Report and did so in good faith and the expectation that the Planning Report would be given due consideration. It is thus now nearing two years since our Application was lodged.

While we appreciate that the Christmas break would cause some delay, we are anxious for a response as our financial situation is becoming increasingly perilous given the need to spend \$14,000 per week on the purchase of potable water necessary to sustain minimal critical parts of the golf course.

I am therefore seeking the opportunity for Club representatives to meet with you to discuss this situation and to ascertain if there is anything the Club can do to facilitate early consideration of our Planning Application.

The Chair of the Club's Development Committee, Mr Ron Shepherd  
Ph 0418 623 113, email: [devcommittee@murrumbidgeegolf.com.au](mailto:devcommittee@murrumbidgeegolf.com.au) can be contacted at your convenience to arrange a time for club representatives to meet with you.

Yours sincerely

Dean Hill  
President