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Dear Mayor

I refer to your letter of 13 December 2019 to the Treasurer of Victoria, Tim Pallas MP, about Melton City Council's advocacy priorities. Your letter has been referred to the Minister for Local Government, the Hon Adem Somyurek MP, as the matters falls within his portfolio of responsibilities. I am responding on the Minister's behalf.

I am pleased to read that local government initiatives such as the Growing Suburbs Fund and the Growth Areas Infrastructure Contribution Fund are responding to rapid growth and demands for local communities and are helping Melton's communities meet the challenges they face as a result of growth and change.

These funding initiatives were developed in collaboration and consultation with councils, which reflects the strong partnership between state and local government and ensures the best possible outcomes for communities in Melbourne's interface areas.

Thank you for sharing the City of Melton's advocacy priorities.

Yours sincerely

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