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Dear Mr Tori

Thank you for Cr Carli's letter of 1 September 2020 regarding the proposed blueprint for a North West Melbourne City Deal. Thank you for providing me line of sight of this proposal.

The Victorian Government is committed to improving connectivity in Melbourne's North West. Thank you for Melton City Council's support for the Outer Metropolitan Ring, Western Intermodal Freight Precinct, Western Rail Plan and Western Highway upgrades.

Significant planning work has started on these priority projects, along with Melbourne Airport Rail and the Suburban Rail Loop. These projects will change the way our city and state moves and will help to drive growth and opportunity throughout Melton and North West Melbourne more broadly.

These projects will build on significant investment across Melbourne's West already under way, including through the Suburban Roads Upgrade Program, Level Crossing Removal projects, West Gate Tunnel and the ongoing upgrade of the M80 Ring Road.

Delivering these projects and planning for future tranches of investment will be critical in supporting jobs and the economy in the post-COVID economic recovery. I welcome your continued advocacy for these major transformational projects as we work with the Commonwealth Government to progress them.

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I look forward to continuing to deliver the State's significant transport agenda in Melbourne's North West and working with you to realise the opportunities presented by these transformational projects.

Thank you for raising this matter with me.

Yours sincerely



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