

**Australian Government****Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities**

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Cr Bob Turner  
Mayor  
Melton City Council  
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Dear Mayor

Thank you for your letter dated 21 February 2019 to the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development, the Hon Michael McCormack, about the City of Melton's infrastructure priorities, including the upgrade of the Western Highway in Melton. The Deputy Prime Minister has asked me to reply on his behalf.

With the announcement by the Prime Minister, the Hon Scott Morrison MP, of the forthcoming election, the Australian Government has assumed a 'caretaker role' and by convention, decisions are not taken or advice given that is likely to commit an incoming Government.

Accordingly, while the matters you have raised have been noted, it is not possible to provide a more substantive response. You may wish to raise the City of Melton's infrastructure priorities with the incoming Government.

Yours sincerely

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