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Dear Mr Duncan

Thank you for your letter of 10 February 2022 regarding petition 51-21, lodged by Mr Andrew Braddock MLA. The petition seeks for Transport Canberra and City Services (TCCS) to refurbish Gungahlin Skate Park and install lights.

The ACT Government continues to invest in new and upgraded facilities across the Canberra Region. The Government has a strong track record of listening to the community as we deliver a rolling program of upgrades to a range of recreational infrastructure. Our upgrade works span play spaces, sporting facilities, footpaths, seating, lighting, and other important community facilities. All requests for improvements to Canberra playgrounds and other open space recreational facilities are assessed and prioritised annually and considered for future improvements where necessary. This process ensures that investments in public spaces are suitably targeted and meet the needs of all Canberrans.

TCCS currently manages and maintains around 20 skateparks throughout Canberra. To ensure that skating infrastructure is safe and fit for purpose and the community is safe, independent annual audits are conducted to assess each skate park against the Australian Standard. In addition to annual audits, quarterly in-house visual safety inspections are undertaken along with daily visual checks during regular cleaning and operational maintenance functions. Repairs to the concrete surface at

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Gungahlin Skate Park have been undertaken to remediate cracks and exposed reinforcing bars as part of this safety-focussed work.

I am pleased to advise that feasibility and preliminary design work will be undertaken on lighting for the skate park as part of the Yerrabi Ponds Design Project. Consultation with the community will be undertaken as part of this process.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely



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