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Dear Ms Killin,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback to the Draft Bannockburn Growth Plan. [REDACTED] have reviewed the draft Growth Plan and are generally satisfied with the content and have been impressed with the presentation of the document. There are still two matters which [REDACTED] wishes to raise as detailed below.

It is requested that there is a change to the “potential community and recreation infrastructure” identified within the growth plan on page 36. This is based on anticipated community infrastructure needs when the ultimate population of Bannockburn is reached. Currently there is only one oval specified, however it is believed that the ultimate population of Bannockburn would warrant the development of a double oval, with netball courts and associated infrastructure (change/social rooms/car parking). Building two ovals together is also generally cheaper than building one oval in two separate locations. It is requested that the potential community and recreation infrastructure on page 36 be modified to support this accordingly.

The framework plan on page four identifies three crossings over Bruces Creek for the area that is south of the Bannockburn-Shelford road. These are more clearly identified as ‘Bridge (proposed)’ on Plan 10 (page 66). These bridges are considered very costly infrastructure, likely in the order of millions to tens of millions of dollars. Each bridge is anticipated to absorb a significant portion of DCP funding, funds which will also be required for other classes of infrastructure. It is requested that only one bridge crossing is depicted (being the crossing for the arterial road). This would not preclude the potential inclusion of further crossings at the PSP stage if investigations suggest they are financially achievable and necessary.

[REDACTED] has a keen interest in the preparation of the South East Precinct Structure Plan and welcomes the opportunity to work collaboratively with the VPA in that process.

Should you have any questions regarding this correspondence please contact [REDACTED]

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