



# Dr Mike Freeland MP

Federal Member for Macarthur

The Hon. Dr Jim Chalmers MP  
Treasurer  
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House of Representatives  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

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Dear Treasurer,

I write in relation to the attached letter from Cr George Greiss, Mayor of Campbelltown City Council, regarding their pre-Budget submission.

I support the proposals outlined by the Mayor as we both believe these will provide a range of economic, community & social benefits to the Campbelltown Local Government Area (LGA).

Specifically, transport investment in the form of rail connections to Western Sydney Airport from Glenfield, Campbelltown and/or Macarthur Stations will provide strong employment and economic opportunities for residents and businesses.

Further, by electrifying the rail network south of Macarthur Station and constructing fast rail services from Sydney to Canberra via Campbelltown, these will bolster local economic and social benefits.

The delivery of a Federal Circuit and Family Court precinct in Campbelltown will offer much needed relief to our legal system, local families and businesses owing to the significant growth and subsequent demand for these services in Macarthur. I also ask that you consider any Commonwealth Agencies be relocated to the Campbelltown LGA as a means of bolstering economic and employment development.

Funding Campbelltown Stadium upgrades will bolster engagement with local sporting codes, such as Macarthur Bulls FC & Wests Tigers, and as the Stadium is council-owned, it will provide direct community benefits. The Stadium has hosted international sporting events, such as the NRL's Pacific Test in 2022, which bolstered our local economy and was well attended by the community.

Additionally, I would also request that funding to upgrade local roads, particularly Appin Rd & widening the Raby Rd bridge over the Hume Motorway, be strongly considered to improve motorist and wildlife safety. I also ask that funding for our local environment, particularly funding for the Twin Rivers National Park and Appin Rd koala protections, be strongly considered.

I have long made representations to Campbelltown Council, the NSW Government & the Federal Government regarding these matters as I believe that these projects are important and beneficial to our community. For too long, past governments have demanded our region bear the brunt of development without the appropriate infrastructure and service investments, however this is the time to change that.

I look forward to your response in due course.

Yours sincerely,

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**DR MIKE FREELANDER MP**  
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CC: Hon. Mark Dreyfus KC, MP, Attorney-General  
CC: Hon. Catherine King MP, Minister for Infrastructure & Transport  
CC: Hon. Anika Wells MP, Minister for Sport  
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