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The Hon Peter Primrose MLC
Chair
Joint Select Committee on the Greater Sydney Parklands Trust
Parliament House
SYDNEY NSW 2000

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Dear Chair,

Subject: Inquiry into the Review of the *Greater Sydney Parklands Trust Act 2022* – clarification of evidence

At the Joint Select Committee on the Greater Sydney Parklands Trust on 14 March 2025, a question was asked as to the process for community trustee board meetings (ref: uncorrected transcript, page 37). I advised that the agenda is co-designed, we have a calendar for the year ahead and community trustee board (CTB) members can see that and influence subjects for discussion.

For clarity and accuracy this should be amended to:

The CTB meeting schedule for the year ahead is available on the GSP website. In accordance with the CTB Terms of Reference, it is a responsibility of the CTB Chair to liaise with GSP to develop the agenda and key discussion items for meetings. The Secretariat will coordinate with GSP and the CTB Chair as appropriate to draft and prepare the agenda for each meeting.

In practice, throughout the first term (2023-2024) of CTB meetings, GSP has developed agendas and provided these to the Chairs for input and feedback before finalising. Agendas have also been influenced by CTB member requests, and GSP has arranged out-of-session meetings, for example, park tours and site visits, to facilitate requests.

It is recognised that improvements in the agenda format and formulation are required. This has been identified by first term CTB members, recognised in the annual self-assessment/ CTB Annual Performance Report. Agenda format and formulation are included in the CTB Improvement Plan as one of several key focus areas for improvement.

We are progressively implementing the actions within the Improvement Plan, which also include actions to increase dialogue and interaction between GSP and CTB members, and among CTB members in between meetings.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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