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Dear Mr Robinson

I am writing in relation to the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) targeted assessment of the revised open space embellishment costs in Blacktown City Council's Contribution Plan No. 21 – Marsden Park (CP21).

Upon completing its assessment, IPART made two recommendations in relation to the revised open space embellishment costs. I have considered these recommendations and require Council to update the cost of open space embellishment in CP21 to \$159 million. This change to the CP21 will need to be made before it will continue to meet the requirements of Clause 5(3) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment (Local Infrastructure Contributions) Amendment Direction* dated 28 July 2017 and deemed an 'IPART reviewed contribution plan'.

The Council will need to advise the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (the Department) once Council has made the required change.

Should you have any questions in relation to this matter, please contact Mr Geoff Thompson, Director, Infrastructure Programs and Coordination at the Department, on 9274 6235.

Yours sincerely

  
9 April 2021

**Brett Whitworth**  
**Deputy Secretary**  
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Encl: Endorsed IPART recommendations

**Attachment A: List of required amendments to Contributions Plan No. 21 – Marsden Park Precinct (CP21)**

IPART No.	Required amendments to the Marsden Park Section 7.11 Contributions Plan
1.	Revise the reasonable cost of open space embellishment in CP21 to \$159.0 million by updating the cost of each embellishment item to the IPART-assessed reasonable cost.
2.	Update the apportioned costs for Reserve 980 (centralised netball competition venue in Schofields) in other Blacktown City Council contributions plans (Contributions Plan No.24 for Schofields and Contributions Plan No.22 for Rouse Hill) when those plans are next reviewed.