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Dear Mr Kent

Thank you for your letter of 29 March 2014 about possible parking issues in the inner south of Canberra with the Australian Government's impending implementation of pay parking on National Land. I apologise for the delay in responding to you.

As you would be aware the ACT Government has been working closely with the National Capital Authority in relation to the implementation of pay parking on National Land, including the Parliamentary Triangle. This includes discussions to ensure parking encroachment issues are thoroughly considered in the development of educational and compliance strategies to deter illegal parking.

I am also advised that on 6 May 2014 the Inner South Canberra Community Council (ISCCC) met with officers from the Office of Regulatory Services within the Justice and Community Safety Directorate, Roads ACT within the Territory and Municipal Services Directorate and the Environment and Sustainable Development Directorate to discuss the Council's concerns. At this meeting the ISCCC were advised that the ACT Government would shortly be engaging with residents in the Inner South by undertaking letterbox drops advising of measures designed to protect the amenity of residents that may be impacted by parking encroachment.

The ACT Government is very mindful of parking encroachment issues and its impact on residential streets. The ACT Government will consider the need for additional resources to assist with the management of parking encroachment onto Territory land as part of the upcoming budget process.

The Office of Regulatory Services will prioritise parking enforcement in areas around the Parliamentary Triangle in the lead up to, and following implementation of pay parking on National Land by the Australian Government.

In addition the Office of Regulatory Services and Roads ACT will continue to monitor overspill parking issues around National Land and adjust parking restrictions and signage as is necessary.

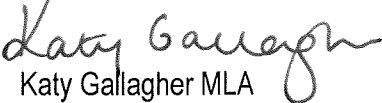
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Thank you for your ongoing interest in this important matter and I trust I have been of assistance to you on this occasion.

Yours sincerely


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Chief Minister

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