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Mr Allan Ogden
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Dear Mr Ogden

Thank you for your letter of 2 October 2006 requesting a meeting to discuss the review of the Johnstone/Cardwell Shire boundaries.

As previously advised by the former Minister for Environment, Local Government, Planning and Women, the Size Shape and Sustainability (SSS) process will provide the most appropriate opportunity for both councils to review their boundaries, rather than looking at the situation of Mission Beach separately.

I am pleased to advise that both Johnstone and Cardwell Shire Councils have now signed a memorandum of understanding to participate in the SSS review initiative which will examine resource sharing, amalgamations and external boundary issues.

The SSS process is transparent and includes community consultation. I would urge your association and any other affected residents to access the opportunities for input to the review process which will be provided at the appropriate time. You should also contact members of both councils and individual elected members to support your views on the boundary issue.

Given the moves by Johnstone and Cardwell Shire Councils to participate in SSS, it would be most appropriate for the Mission Beach Community Association to work with Johnstone and Cardwell Shire Councils at this time, rather than pursue Ministerial intervention.

I trust this information is of assistance. Should you require any further information in relation to this matter, please contact Mr Michael Dart, Senior Advisor of my office, on telephone number 3224 7492.

Yours sincerely

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