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A Brighter Future for Queensland Through \$1.8 Billion City Deal

South east Queensland's future is brighter today with the signing of a \$1.8 billion City Deal, according to the Committee for Brisbane.

The Prime Minister, Queensland Premier and Brisbane Lord Mayor (as Chair of the South East Queensland Council of Mayors) signed the historic deal earlier today.

The South East Queensland City Deal proposes to fund 31 projects across 11 council regions in SEQ, including important investigations and investments in transport and digital infrastructure, knowledge corridors and the jobs of the future.

Committee for Brisbane Chief Executive Officer Barton Green congratulated the Council of Mayors (SEQ) and the Queensland and Commonwealth Governments for delivering the biggest City Deal in Australia's history.

"This is version one of two-decade planning framework that will evolve as the region's population essentially doubles over the next 20 years," Mr Green said.

"A critical element of the City Deal is the governance agreement that will see the three levels of government working together to investigate and deliver critical infrastructure for the region's future.

"We specifically welcome a commitment under the City Deal to a formal Industry Reference Group that will provide ongoing advice and support to inform the implementation program."

Mr Green said the City Deal Partners recognised the support of industry in helping to bring the City Deal to fruition.

"During 2020 and 2021, a group of peak industry bodies worked collaboratively to advocate to the governments with a single voice on the City Deal, and we see much of that work reflected in the language and structure of today's Deal," Mr Green said.

The peak industry collaboration comprised: AI Group, Australian Constructors Association, Civil Contractors Federation Qld, Committee for Brisbane, Engineers Australia, Housing Industry Association, Infrastructure Association of Queensland, Master Builders Queensland, Planning Institute of Australia (Qld & NT), Property Council of Australia (Qld), Queensland Major Contractors Association, Urban Development Institute of Australia (Qld).

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