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Dear Ms Abhayaratna

# Impact Analysis – Replacing the Community Development Program – Second Pass Final Assessment

Thank you for your prompt first pass assessment of the IA on replacing the Community Development Program.

I am satisfied that the IA addresses the concerns raised in your letter of 22 October 2024. Specifically:

* The IA has justified the use of the multi-criteria analysis as the appropriate method to identify the option with the highest net benefit and has outlined alternative methods were unsuitable given the lack of quantifiable data.
* The IA has detailed the phases of consultation undertaken and their influence in shaping the analysis of the likely impacts. The IA also considers disagreements and dissenting views heard from stakeholders in the design of the preferred Option 2.
* Extra detail on the implementation of the programs has been crafted, including sequencing of implementation and the IA at decision points.
* Additional details on the proposed approach to evaluation been included, with identified responsibilities and resourcing.

The regulatory burden to business, community organisations and individuals for the preferred Option 2 is quantified using the Australian Government’s *Regulatory Burden Measurement* framework and is provided below.

**Regulatory burden estimate table**

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| Average annual regulatory costs (from business as usual) |
| Change in costs ($ million) | Business | Community organisations | Individuals | Total change in costs |
| Total, by sector | $3.100 | $2.629 | $4.035 | $9.764 |

Accordingly, I am satisfied that the IA is consistent with the six principles for Australian Government policy makers as specified in the *Australian Government Guide to Policy Impact Analysis*.

I submit the IA to the Office of Impact Analysis for formal final assessment.

Yours sincerely

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