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Christmas Island freight handling latest

I continue to work closely with Altitude Island Logistics, the Department and key agencies to finalise alternative location options and solutions for local freight handling as a priority.

Necessary Shire approvals have been obtained and electrical and structural assessments to support the potential locations are being carried out.

The Australian Government understands and acknowledges community concerns about reliable freight services to Christmas Island and the need to support these critical services.

A reminder that incoming freight and mail are **NOT** affected by this disruption to the location of commercial freight operations. We are working together to support outgoing transport of critical items as necessary.

I am also having discussions with Australia Post corporate representatives about potential options to support outgoing air mail.

Following the recent engineering assessment of the Gaze Rd warehouse which identified very serious structural and safety issues requiring vacation of the property by tenants, over coming days, engineers and the Department's property managers will be on site at Gaze Road to supervise safe temporary access and facilitate the former tenants' retrieval of property.

Moving forward, a supervised access plan with local support will be finalised and implemented so the warehouse can be safely accessed as required by former tenants.

I am working with the tenants to ensure they are being supported through this process.

I will continue to keep the community updated on these matters as plans are progressed and finalised. I thank you all for your patience and understanding in this period.

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