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Topic: Struggle Street – Meeting with Blacktown mayor

Senator Dastyari, Sam asked:

Ms Kellie: We continue to be in contact with the mayor. In fact, my colleague Mr Loydell was in contact with the mayor about a week or so ago and we are continuing to have discussions about how we ensure that we have a better understanding of that community.

Senator DASTYARI: That was not the request, though. Mr Ebeid, you are saying you are going to take it on?

Mr Ebeid: I will take it on notice. I will talk to him and I will understand what he is trying to achieve and what he is trying to get to.

Answer:

The Managing Director and other members of the SBS executive continue to be in a dialogue with the Blacktown City Council, including the Mayor, and can and will meet with them based on a mutually agreeable time, subject to the objectives of any requested meeting.