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Mr Mike Rundell & Mr Sean Aplin
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Dear Mike and Sean

Just a note to thank you on the practical completion and hand-over of the Edmund Ave project.

Although I know that I'm somewhat biased, the project has been a very exciting one – seeing the transformation of the old police station into the marvellous complex which now stands. The project has also been seen as a very high profile one in the Adelaide community; I have received a large number of comments from people who have enquired about the project and been most impressed with the work in progress.

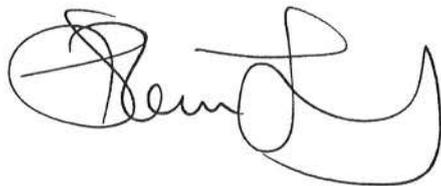
I don't know if you are aware, but we have requested that the Queen open the centre when she visits Adelaide next year. Given that she is the Sovereign Head of the Order of St John we think that we have a "better than most" chance of our request being approved (providing that she is here in SA for more than a day!) If we are successful we will all enjoy the sort of publicity and recognition that money just can't buy.

When it was first suggested that the project might be completed ahead of time I was in Melbourne at a conference with the other St John CEOs. I happened to mention that I had a bit of a problem with the contract completion date, and two of the other CEOs immediately suggested (with enthusiasm) that **no** building project was ever completed by the date on the contract. I let them dig a very large hole before I sweetly thanked them for their advice and took enormous pleasure in telling them that the problem was with early, not late, completion! If Brimblecombe Builders had an office in WA or the NT I think that the St John CEOs there would be very interested in talking to you!

I'm sure that the project has had its fair share of difficult moments but I have been unaware of, or peripheral to most of them. I have been most impressed with your project management. In addition, and almost without exception, the contractors have been very patient, helpful and polite in dealing with the large numbers of "owner visitors" who have been on site throughout the construction period. In particular, Terry Casey must be commended for the role he has played; he has been fantastic.

Thank you again, and thank you also for the Brimblecombe mugs and pens.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Francie Remfry'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial 'F' and 'R'.

Francie Remfry
Chief Executive Officer