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The Honourable Bill Byrne MP
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Via email: police@ministerial.qld.gov.au

1 August 2016

Dear Minister

I am writing to request your urgent assistance in securing the safety of our hardworking Queensland Police Service (QPS) officers at the Mudgeeraba Police Station.

As you will no doubt be aware, on Friday, 29 July 2016, a man deliberately rammed the Mudgeeraba Police Station with his vehicle, causing extensive damage to a QPS vehicle and the station itself. Luckily, an officer who was on the other side of the wall had only just moved – narrowly avoiding a fatality.

This is the third time since December 2015 that an incident of this nature has occurred at the Mudgeeraba Police Station. To secure the safety of our officers, we require the urgent installation of a security fence and electronic gates at each entry to the station.

Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to hearing from you expeditiously.

Yours sincerely

Ros Bates MP
Member for Mudgeeraba
Shadow Minister for Communities, Women and Youth, Child Safety and the
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Shadow Minister for Disability Services and Seniors

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14 December 2016

Dear Minister *Mark*

On 1 August 2016, I wrote to your predecessor, the Honourable Bill Byrne MP, requesting his urgent assistance in securing the safety of our hardworking Queensland Police Service (QPS) officers at the Mudgeeraba Police Station.

This followed an incident on Friday, 29 July 2016, in which a man deliberately rammed the Mudgeeraba Police Station with his vehicle, causing extensive damage to a QPS vehicle and the station itself. Luckily, an officer who was on the other side of the wall had only just moved – narrowly avoiding a fatality.

This was the third time since December 2015 that an incident of this nature had occurred at the Mudgeeraba Police Station. As I said to Minister Byrne at the time, to secure the safety of our officers, we require the urgent installation of a security fence and electronic gates at each entry to the station.

As the new Minister, I would appreciate your timely attention to this matter. Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to hearing from you expeditiously.

Yours sincerely

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NB: as discussed Mark.

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21 February 2018

Dear Minister

I refer to your media release of 31 January 2018 in which you announced a "security audit" will be conducted into all Queensland Police Service (QPS) workplaces following an incident in Brisbane when a man drove his vehicle towards the main entrance of Police Headquarters, causing minor damage to the front stairs.

On 1 August 2016, I wrote to your predecessor after a man had purposely driven his vehicle through a wall of the Mudgeeraba Police Station, causing major damage and almost seriously harming an officer. This incident demonstrated the vulnerability of this station and the officers stationed there. I urged the then Minister to install boom gates at the entrances of the station to prevent future risk to our officers and keep them safe.

Unfortunately, the Minister dismissed the incident and refused to commit to installing any additional security measures for the station. To date, no additional security measures have been installed to prevent future incidents of this nature. With this in mind, I was surprised to hear of your apparently sweeping response to a similar incident in Brisbane after your Labor predecessor refused to take any action when officers in Mudgeeraba were put at serious risk.

I urge you as part of your "security audit" to ensure the Mudgeeraba Police Station receives the boom gates it needs to keep officers safe in the future.

Yours sincerely

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Member for Mudgeeraba
Shadow Minister for Health and Ambulance Services
Shadow Minister for Women