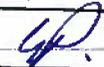




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Dear Ms Maykin

I refer to your letter of 17 June 2019 to the Honourable Mark Bailey MP, Minister for Transport and Main Roads, about a request for a bus service for Old Burleigh Town, Burleigh Heads. The Minister has asked that I respond on his behalf.

Upon receipt of your further correspondence, the Department of Transport and Main Roads' TransLink Division (TransLink) undertook a review of its previous advice.

Based on further assessment, I am advised that while it is acknowledged that there is vacant land on Oyster Creek Road that may provide a sizable area for a bus to turn around, there are safety issues and road rules that would prevent this from being able to be safely performed. Buses would be required to undertake a difficult right-hand turn on Oyster Creek Road over a solid white line marking with minimal sighting distance towards oncoming traffic. Based on these safety considerations, this option will not be considered further.

TransLink notes that the current road network in the estate employs raised traffic calming measures, which are not preferred on roads utilised by urban bus routes. This route is too narrow to safely accommodate the bus fleet currently used by TransLink's local bus operator, Surfside Buslines on scheduled services throughout the day.

As previously advised, the requested diversion would add travel time to a route which is already nearly an hour from start to finish. Diverting the service would also impact existing connections and have a negative impact to existing users of this service.

Based on further assessment, at this juncture, the decision not to provide a bus service at Old Burleigh Town remains unchanged. TransLink will continue to monitor this network and provide services in line with demand where funding allows.

I know this is not the response you were hoping for, however, I trust this additional information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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