

The Honourable Amanda Camm MP Minister for Families, Seniors and Disability Services and Minister for Child Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence

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Mr Neil Laurie
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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition 4205-25, tabled in the Legislative Assembly on 1 April 2025, titled 'Make DFV a crime'.

As noted in the petition, demand for domestic and family violence (DFV) assistance from the Queensland Police Service and DFV service providers is growing. This demand impacts the capacity of police and DFV services to effectively respond to victim-survivors and hold persons using violence to account. Subsequently, this impacts on the health and wellbeing of police officers and service providers.

I agree that efficient and effective policing is an essential part of Queensland's response to DFV. It is also critical to ensure the safety of victim-survivors and that persons using violence are held accountable, as well as assisting them to change their abusive behaviours. I am working with the Honourable Dan Purdie MP, Minister for Police and Emergency Services to implement additional responses to DFV, including a new Police Protection Directions Framework to support the achievement of police efficiencies.

In addition to these efficiency measures, I have directed the Department of Families, Seniors, Disability Services and Child Safety to develop a new DFV Reform Strategy (the Strategy) to guide systemic changes through refreshed policy and investment priorities. The Strategy will be developed with, and for, government and sector partners, and will build on successful elements of previous reforms and establish a platform for innovation and collaboration to embed integrated responses to DFV.

The Strategy will focus on improving service integration across prevention, early intervention with individuals and families, responses to persons using violence, and victim safety and wellbeing to guide overarching objectives for the DFV service system. The safety of victim-survivors is my paramount concern. I expect the Strategy will work towards a Queensland where DFV is not tolerated, people are safe in their homes and communities and contributing to a reduction in the number of victims.

I would like to thank the petitioners for taking the time raise their concerns and I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours surcerely

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