



The Honourable Scott Emerson MP  
Minister for Transport and Main Roads

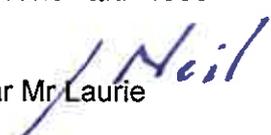
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Dear Mr Laurie 

I refer to a petition number 2216-14 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Michael Crandon MP, Member for Coomera on 12 February 2014 about bus services in the Eagleby area.

I am advised that the residents of the Palm Lake Resort located at 272 Fryar Road have requested an extension of route 563 to service the resort.

Bus route 563 provides passengers with access to rail services at both Beenleigh and Bethania stations. While Beenleigh rail station benefits from being served by both the Gold Coast and Beenleigh rail lines, leading to more transfer opportunities for bus passengers to connect with trains, Bethania Station is only served by the Beenleigh line. The arrival time of bus service 563 at Bethania Station on weekdays means customers who live near the route between Beenleigh and Bethania can catch the Beenleigh train service.

TransLink Division have advised that an extension of services to Fryar Road, would add approximately 3km to the route and approximately 10 minutes to the running time of the service. This increase in running time could cause missed connections at Bethania Station.

TransLink will continue to monitor the performance of routes in the Eagleby area to ensure that they are providing an efficient and reliable service that meets the needs of the broader community.

Yours sincerely



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