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Mr Neil Laurie The Clerk of the Parliament Parliament House George Street BRISBANE QLD 4000

Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition numbers 2867-18 and 2824-17 lodged with the Legislative Assembly on 15 February 2018 by Mr Michael Crandon MP, Member for Coomera about the Coomera park 'n' ride (PnR) facility.

The Palaszczuk Government is committed to providing an integrated, efficient and accessible public transport network for Queensland.

The government acknowledges the Gold Coast is one of Australia's fastest developing regions and that this growing population means greater pressure and increased demands on our transport networks. This includes the current high demand experienced for park 'n' ride (PnR) facilities across Queensland and the Gold Coast region.

When planning for PnR infrastructure, the Department of Transport and Main Roads assess a number of factors to ensure any investment is targeted and will provide a positive impact. Factors considered include the surrounding area and any development that might be occurring including future land use intent.

The department will continue to monitor growth and development across this region of the Gold Coast to identify opportunities to provide travel options and infrastructure upgrades that are matched to community demographics and needs. In the meantime, residents in the Coomera area are encouraged to consider using the existing feeder bus services that link Coomera station to nearby areas, including Oxenford, Helensvale, Pimpama, Pacific Pines, Upper Coomera and Coomera Waters.

Bus services, including routes TX7, 721, 722, 723, 725, 726 and 727, provide connections through peak and off-peak periods for commuters accessing this PnR facility.

I thank the petitioners for their valuable feedback as this will assist us in planning service and infrastructure improvements in Coomera.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

MARK BAILEY MP / Minister for Transport and Main Roads