



Minister for Transport and Main Roads

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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition number 3305-20 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Dr Mark Robinson MP, Member for Oodgeroo on 19 May 2020 about the Eastern transitway.

I note that the Member for Oodgeroo represented the electorate of Cleveland in the previous LNP Government. I also note that, while the previous Government was in office, it did not invest in crucial congestion busting projects like the Eastern Transitway. Instead it cut \$600 million from transport infrastructure in Queensland.

In contrast to the previous Government, the Palaszczuk Government is investing in the delivery of the Eastern Transitway. This cost-effective solution will improve priority for public transport along Old Cleveland Road, from Coorparoo to Carindale, and aims to extend the benefits of the operating sections of the Eastern Busway.

The Eastern Transitway project will be delivered using a staged approach to maximise the public transport benefits, while minimising community impact. Stage 1 will focus on the Creek Road intersection and extend along Old Cleveland Road to Narracott Street. Stage 1 construction is scheduled to commence in the coming months, with completion estimated in 2021, subject to Brisbane City Council approvals.

Consultation with the community in the vicinity of Stage 1 began in late 2019, with further information on the design to be made available in the coming weeks. Community members can be kept up-to-date on the Eastern Transitway, or participate in the two-week community consultation, via the project's web page at www.tmr.qld.gov.au and click (1) 'Projects', (2) 'Projects by name – E', then (3) 'Eastern Transitway'. Feedback is also welcome and can be submitted to the project team by email at metropolitanregion@tmr.qld.gov.au.

The Queensland Government continues to protect the busway corridor between Coorparoo, Carindale and Capalaba to support future bus network enhancements. The Department of Transport and Main Roads monitors passenger transport demand and service reliability along the Old Cleveland Road corridor between Redlands and Brisbane to inform future investment priorities.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mark Bailey', with a long, sweeping tail extending downwards and to the right.

MARK BAILEY MP
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