

Hon Annastacia Palaszczuk MP Member for Inala



Minister for Transport and Multicultural Affairs

Our ref: PP1741-11 and PP1788-11

Your ref: Petitions

1 1 NOV 2011 Mr Neil Laurie The Clerk of the Parliament Parliament House George Street Brisbane Qld 4000

Dear Mr Laurie Vul

I refer to petition numbers 1788-11 and 1741-11 lodged with the Legislative Assembly on 12 October 2011 about the speed limit on Caloundra Road between the Racecourse Road interchange and Kawana Way (Link Road).

I am advised that the Department of Transport and Main Roads is undertaking investigations to determine if it is feasible to raise the speed limit from 80 km/h to 100 km/h on this section of Caloundra Road.

The department sets speed limits in accordance with Part 4 of the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices. By following this process, road users can be confident that speed limits are being set in a consistent manner across the state and can have confidence that they are an appropriate limit in normal driving conditions. The factors considered when determining speed limits include the road function and environment, traffic volumes, frequency of intersections, crash history, and the types of roadside activities such as pedestrians, cyclists and parking.

When a review of a posted speed limit is undertaken, the results of the department's investigations are tabled at a meeting of the Speed Management Committee. These committees are formed in each local government area and have representatives from local government, Queensland Police Service and the department. The committee then makes a recommendation on the appropriate speed limit based on this review.

I am advised that the department will inform the community of the outcome of this speed review. The safety of all road users is the department's number one priority and I urge all motorists to continue to obey the posted speed limit on Caloundra Road.

Yours sincerely

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