



Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports  
Minister for Energy and Water Supply

Our ref: PET 16891

Your ref: 10.4 Petitions

14 APR 2016

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

Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to a petition number 2556-16 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Mark Boothman MP, Member for Albert on 15 March 2016 about the off-ramp of Brisbane-Beenleigh Road at the Albert Street and Station Road intersection in Bethania.

This intersection is controlled by Logan City Council (LCC). While Brisbane-Beenleigh Road, locally known as Logan River Road, is under the jurisdiction of the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR), my department only has control of the off-ramp from Brisbane-Beenleigh Road interchange to the intersection at Albert Street and Station Road.

The Palaszczuk Government recognises that traffic volumes in Bethania have increased and that there may need to be upgrades to the local road network by LCC to accommodate future traffic demands.

Accordingly, I have requested that officers from my department explore the issues canvassed in this petition with LCC and that they assist council officers to the extent possible with any planning to improve operation of the intersection.

The Palaszczuk Government understands the importance of supporting local governments. That's why we exceeded our election commitment and brought forward additional funding for the Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme – the 50/50 scheme with local governments, to support local infrastructure. The \$70 million available to councils through TIDS in 2015/16 and 2016/17 effectively doubles the funding made available during the term of the previous LNP government.

I trust that this information is of assistance, and thank the petitioners for their commitment to improving road safety.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Mark Bailey', written over a light blue horizontal line.

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