



Minister for Transport and Main Roads

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Mr Neil Laurie
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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition number 3103-19 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mrs Simone Wilson MP, Member for Pumicestone on 26 March 2019, about a request for a bike path on Beachmere Road for students accessing located at the intersection with Newman Road.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) has identified Beachmere Road as a future cycle route under the *Principal Cycle Network Plan South East Queensland*, which is used to help prioritise cycle infrastructure improvements. Unfortunately, there is currently no available funding to undertake improvements for cyclists along this road. However, TMR will continue to monitor the road and assess its priority for upgrading in future program reviews.

Motorists are required by law to stay wider of cyclists by allowing a minimum of one metre when passing a cyclist in a 60 km/h or less speed zone, or 1.5 metres where the speed limit is over 60 km/h. Motorists can cross centre lines (including double unbroken centre lines), straddle lane lines and drive on painted traffic islands to pass cyclists, provided the driver has a clear view of approaching traffic and it is safe to do so. TMR runs education campaigns including 'Share the road' and 'Stay wider of the rider' to raise awareness of cyclists' safety.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mark Bailey". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping tail that extends downwards and to the right.

MARK BAILEY MP
Minister for Transport and Main Roads