



Hon Rachel Nolan MP
Member for Ipswich



**Queensland
Government**

Minister for Transport

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Your ref: Petitions

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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 number 1553-10 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by the Honourable Kate Jones MP, Member for Ashgrove on 23 November 2010 about a request for direct transport services from The Gap to the University of Queensland.

As you would appreciate, many requests are received for additional bus services across South East Queensland. The TransLink Transit Authority's (TransLink) challenge is to provide fair and equitable access to public transport while ensuring that services are well patronised, reliable and represent value for money.

TransLink acknowledges that a journey from The Gap and surrounding suburbs to the University of Queensland involves a transfer between services. The provision of improved cross town routes is a key focus of TransLink as it will provide greater flexibility and improved trip options to many residents in outer suburbs and where practicable, will avoid passengers unnecessarily travelling via the Brisbane central business district.

TransLink reviews services regularly and the request for a direct service to the University of Queensland from The Gap and surrounding suburbs will be considered as part of the review process.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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