



Hon Annastacia Palaszczuk MP
Member for Inala



Minister for Transport
and Multicultural Affairs

Our ref: PP1634-11

Your ref: Petitions

07 APR 2011

Mr Neil Laurie
The Clerk of the Parliament
Parliament House
George Street
Brisbane Qld 4001

Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to a petition number 1634-11 lodged with the Legislative Assembly Mr Andrew Powell MP, Member for Glass House on 8 March 2011 about the draft timetable for Caboolture and Nambour.

On 5 April 2011, I announced that new timetables will commence on 6 June 2011 on the Ipswich, Rosewood, Caboolture and Sunshine Coast rail lines. This is a significant change and will provide benefits for public transport customers of south east Queensland by increasing capacity by more than 150 000 weekly seats. The objective of these changes is to offer customers improved consistency and reliability, as well as a more simplified and easier to understand timetable.

The TransLink Transit Authority and Queensland Rail undertook extensive consultation during November and December 2010 to give the community the opportunity to raise issues relating to the draft rail timetables.

TransLink and Queensland Rail acknowledge the valid concerns the community raised and have reviewed feedback received from 10 information sessions, 300 000 flyers handed out to commuters and 2000 pieces of correspondence received.

As a result of this review, the timetable has been finalised, with changes made to improve the outcomes the timetable delivers to the community.

The key changes to the draft timetable include:

- four additional services between Rosewood and Ipswich to better connect with school start and finishing times
- an additional morning peak service from Petrie, stopping all stations
- an additional early bird service to Caboolture
- changes to morning peak services from the Sunshine Coast
- changes to afternoon services to the Sunshine Coast.

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TransLink will be working with its bus operators to update bus timetables to reflect the new rail timetables and continue to ensure a fully integrated bus and train network.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'A' followed by a long horizontal line.

Annastasia Palaszczuk MP
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