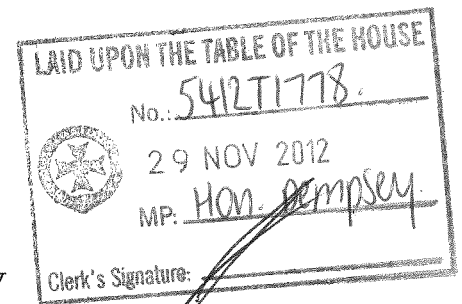




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Mr Neil Laurie
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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition number 1913-12 lodged with the Legislative Assembly on 29 October 2012, which was referred to me from Minister Davis. The principal petitioner is Mr Danny Donohoe of Gailes. The petition calls for options for making the Goupong Park (Collingwood Park) area safer for local residents and families.

The Government and the Queensland Police Service (QPS) share Mr Donohoe's concerns about crime in our communities and are strongly committed to addressing crime in order to provide a safe and secure environment for all persons and property in Queensland.

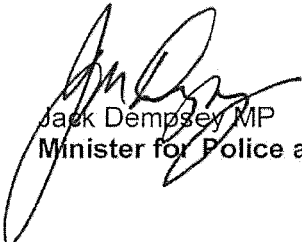
I referred this matter to the Queensland Police Service (QPS) which advises they will be undertaking a reactive and proactive policing response to ensure a safe environment at Goupong Park. Police utilise the safe city cameras located at Goupong Park and surrounds to monitor the behaviour of persons accessing the park and provide an appropriate response. The QPS are also coordinating foot patrols and mobile patrols of the park and the surrounding areas to deter anti-social behaviour and to prosecute offenders.

Residents of the Goupong Park area are encouraged to report to police any incidents of concern, in order that a timely and appropriate police response can be provided. The QPS is committed to investigating all such complaints and ensuring appropriate action, including prosecution, is taken where sufficient evidence exists.

Should Mr Donohoe have any further enquiries, Senior Sergeant Greg Shaw, Officer in Charge, Goodna Police Station, QPS is available on telephone 3436 2999.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely


Jack Dempsey MP
Minister for Police and Community Safety