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Mr Neil Laurie
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Dear Mr Laurie ~~Laurie~~ **Neil**

I refer to the interim response to petition 4142-24, requesting an upgrade of the Gympie—Woolooga Road (locally known as Glastonbury Road) and Exhibition Road intersection, Gympie, by the former Minister for Transport and Main Roads and Minister for Digital Services, Mr Bart Mellish MP, which was tabled on 10 October 2024.

On 1 November 2024, I was appointed as Minister for Transport and Main Roads and, as such, I am now the responsible Minister to respond to this petition.

I am advised the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) is aware of the community's desire for an upgraded intersection and is investigating potential solutions.

TMR monitors the operation of the state-controlled road network on an ongoing basis and prioritises safety upgrades according to statewide needs. Regrettably, due to higher safety and competing priority projects in the State, there is currently no funding available to upgrade the intersection. However, the request will be considered as part of future prioritisation, planning and funding of road and safety upgrades.

TMR continues to monitor the intersection to ensure it remains in a safe and trafficable condition until funding for improvement works can be allocated. Funding priorities are re-evaluated regularly, and the feedback provided through this petition will be used to assist in prioritising road upgrades at this location in the future.

TMR is committed to the safety of children travelling to and from school. I understand TMR's Road Safety team is working with both Gympie South State School and Cooloola Christian College to educate the community on road safety, and will continue to support them while solutions are being investigated.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

BRENT MICKELBERG MP
Minister for Transport and Main Roads