

09 DEC 2002

Honourable Jim Fouras MP
Chairman of Committees
Member for Ashgrove
Ashgrove Central
221 Waterworks Road
Ashgrove Qld 4060

Dear Mr Fouras

Thank you for the petition you presented on behalf of your constituent Mr Gregory Wilson to Mr Neil Laurie, the Acting Clerk of the Parliament on 29 October 2002, about a request for installation of red light cameras at the intersection of Days Rd and Lanham St, Grange. As this is a matter that falls within my portfolio, Mr Laurie has forwarded the petition to me for my consideration and reply.

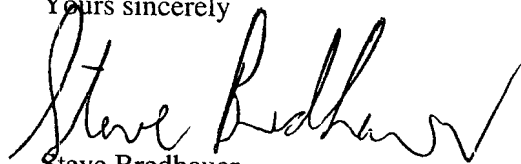
Queensland Transport, the Department of Main Roads and the Queensland Police Service are constantly striving to achieve a safer environment for all road users. This is a joint venture that combines engineering, education and enforcement initiatives to reduce crashes and save lives. Your constituent may be interested to know that red light camera sites are selected on the basis of a combination of criteria, including crash history, physical constraints and geographic distribution of locations.

Queensland Transport conducts regular analyses of crashes occurring at intersections in Queensland. Crashes caused by drivers disobeying red lights are flagged in the system. Intersections with these types of crashes are listed in rank order and the top ranking sites that have not been previously treated for red light cameras are forwarded to the Queensland Police Service for consideration and on-site inspection.

I understand that an evaluation of the intersection at Days Rd and Lanham St, Grange, shows that this intersection is not currently listed in the top 200 list for red light camera candidate sites based on crash history. However, the Queensland Police Service has the ability to recommend red light camera locations based on red light running. Intersections are investigated after public complaints are received and entered into the police complaints database. Community members can contact their local police station to log a complaint onto the database and your constituent may care to follow this course of action. It should be noted however, that intersections carrying the highest risk will be treated first.

I hope this response satisfactorily addresses the issues raised by your constituent. If you need more information, please call Ms Michelle Kelleher, Land Transport and Safety Division on 3253 4391, who will be happy to help you.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Bredhauer". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'S' and a long, sweeping tail.

Steve Bredhauer

**Minister for Transport
and Minister for Main Roads
Member for Cook**