



## Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services and Minister for Corrective Services

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Dear Mr Laurie

Thank you for your letter dated 2 December 2015 concerning a petition received by the Queensland Legislative Assembly, requesting a police facility at Victoria Point. Petition number 2464-15 refers.

I appreciate petitioners taking the time to raise their concerns. I sought advice from the Queensland Police Service (QPS) to assist in responding to the petitioners' request.

Victoria Point is located within the Cleveland Police Division. The policing capability afforded by Cleveland Station to service Victoria Point includes general duties police, scenes of crime officers, intelligence officers and plain clothes officers attached to the Criminal Investigation Branch. The response provided by those areas is augmented by district functions including Child Protection Investigation Unit, Road Policing Unit, Tactical Crime Squad, Forensic Crash Investigation Units, Domestic and Family Violence Coordinators and Crime Prevention Officers.

The Cleveland Police Division is resourced in accordance with the QPS staffing allocation model. It is continually reviewed based on a range of statistical information which forms part of the QPS annual planning and budgetary processes. The Government and QPS will continue to monitor the situation to ensure that local police capabilities are in line with community needs.

The QPS advise that centrally verified statistics for the suburb of Victoria Point indicate the rate of reported offences between 2012-13 and 2014-15 decreased in all but one of the crime classifications nominated in the petition.

The rate of reported assault offences and unlawful entry offences has seen a marked decrease and the increase in reported drug and good order offences could be attributed to proactive policing activities.

I take this opportunity to commend the QPS officers, staff, community supporters and other emergency service workers and volunteers in Victoria Point and surrounding areas, for their efforts in delivering a safer local community.

The Palaszczuk Government will continue to work with the QPS and communities across the state to ensure that policing services are efficient, effective and in line with local needs.

Should you require further information, please contact Ms Ellen McIntyre, Chief of Staff, on 3035 8300.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely



The Honourable Bill Byrne MP  
**Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services and  
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