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Neil
Dear Mr Laurie

Thank you for your letter dated 20 April 2016 regarding Petition No. 2578-16 and 2515-15 about the Police Beat at Pacific Pines.

In order to address the issues raised in the petitions, I sought advice from the Queensland Police Service (QPS). I am advised that the Pacific Pines Neighbourhood Police Beat does operate on weekends, when intelligence driven rostering practices identify a need.

A 24 hours/seven day a week policing service is currently being provided to the suburb of Pacific Pines and surrounding areas of Park Lake and Maudsland by officers attached to the Pacific Pines Neighbourhood Beat, Nerang and Coomera Police Stations.

The Gold Coast District Rapid Action & Patrols Group, Road Policing Units, Criminal Investigation Branch and Child Protection Investigation Unit also provide policing activities across the Gold Coast, including these areas.

The QPS completed a feasibility study into an expanded police station at Pacific Pines and analysed a range of factors including area growth, crime and safety issues, calls for service, new or emerging issues (including relevant service delivery models), and facility requirements. The study did not support the expansion of the Pacific Pines Neighbourhood Beat at this time.

Any decision on opening hours is an operational matter for the QPS. I have been assured by the QPS that police will continue to monitor policing services to ensure community needs and expectations continue to be met and maintained.

If you require further information, Ms Ellen McIntyre, Chief of Staff, is available on telephone (07) 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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