



Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports
Minister for Energy, Biofuels and Water Supply

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Your ref: 10.4 Petitions

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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to a petition number 2606-16 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Matthew McEachan MP, Member for Redlands on 8 November 2016 about the installation of flashing school zone lights at Russell Island State School.

The safety of children at schools across our State is a high priority, with the Palaszczuk Government allocating approximately \$12 million for the installation and maintenance of an additional 300 flashing school zones over the three year period of 2015–18.

Schools were selected to receive flashing school zone signs in 2016–17 based on a detailed risk assessment carried out by the Department of Transport and Main Roads of all school zones in Queensland. Nominations by schools and communities based on local knowledge of particular problem areas nominated through their local Members of Parliament were also considered. Priority is given to school zones with a crash history, a high level of vehicle and pedestrian traffic, higher speed limits or visibility problems.

Russell Island State School was not prioritised to receive flashing school zone signs as part of the 2016–2017 program. Please be assured that the Russell Island State School will be considered in the 2017–2018 program.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'MARK BAILEY', with a long, sweeping underline.

MARK BAILEY MP
Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports and
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