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Mr Neil Laurie
The Clerk of the Parliament
Parliament House
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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition 3424-20, lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Michael Crandon MP, Member for Coomera on 1 December 2020 concerning the need for a daily bus service to Jacobs Well.

The Palaszczuk Government recognises the importance of continued investment in our public transport network to enable Queenslanders to connect more easily to health services, education, jobs and with each other.

At this time, the population density in this area does not provide the passenger demand required to justify additional scheduled bus services. It is noted the existing Jacobs Well to Beenleigh shoppers run—operating on Thursdays—is an initiative of the City of Gold Coast, connecting residents of Jacobs Well to services at Beenleigh Marketplace. This weekly shopper service is jointly funded by the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) and the City of Gold Coast.

TMR will continue to monitor demand on the existing Jacobs Well shopper service, including growth in the Jacobs Well area, to identify opportunities for service improvements in the future.

When the LNP were last in power they cut \$1.6 billion from the state's roads and transport budget, which included sacking 1700 Queensland Rail workers and 700 Roadtek workers.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mark Bailey', with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

MARK BAILEY MP
Minister for Transport and Main Roads