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Mr Neil Laurie
The Clerk of the Parliament
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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition 3777-22, lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Trevor Watts MP, Member for Toowoomba North on 12 October 2022, about funding through the School Transport Infrastructure Program (STIP) for the construction of a larger car parking area at Fairview Heights State School (FHSS).

The Palaszczuk Government proudly established the STIP in the 2017–18 State Budget. Through STIP, 94 new projects across the State have already been approved to improve road safety outcomes at Queensland schools. Due to the success of the program, an additional \$40 million for STIP was approved in the 2022–23 State Budget as part of the Palaszczuk Government's more than \$1.5 billion investment in road safety initiatives, including a world-first safety initiative targeting speeding drivers in school zones and roadwork sites across Queensland.

I have asked officers from the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) to work with officers from the Department of Education and Toowoomba Regional Council to investigate ways to improve the safety and operation of the current parking areas at FHSS, with a view to submitting a STIP nomination in the future.

The STIP contact for schools in the Toowoomba area is Mr Paul Anoleck, Manager (Road Safety), TMR. I encourage the Member and the FHSS community to work with TRC and Mr Anoleck to progress a possible STIP nomination for FHSS. Mr Anoleck can be contacted by email at paul.l.anoleck@tmr.qld.gov.au or by telephone on 07 4639 0716.

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 and then loops back down.

MARK BAILEY MP
Minister for Transport and Main Roads