



**Hon Judy Spence MP**  
Member for Mount Gravatt

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Minister for  
**Police and Corrective Services**

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Response to Ministerial Correspondence Received by E-mail

1 February 2005

Mr Neil Laurie  
Clerk of the Parliament  
Parliament House  
George Street  
BRISBANE QLD 4000

Dear Mr Laurie

In accordance with the Sessional Orders for Petitions, please find enclosed an electronic copy of my response to Mrs Carryn Sullivan MP, Member for Pumicestone, for tabled petition number 413-04 relating to police resources on Bribie Island.

Yours sincerely

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Mrs Carryn Sullivan MP  
Member for Pumicestone  
1/43 Benabrow Avenue,  
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Dear Carryn

I refer to a petition to members of the Queensland Legislative Assembly regarding police resources on Bribie Island.

I referred this matter to the Queensland Police Service and am advised that Bribie Island Station is resourced in accordance with the Police Service's Staffing Allocation Model which is used to determine police staffing allocations across the State. The Model is continually revised and updated on the basis of assessments of relative workloads and police staffing needs of all areas as identified through crime, population and traffic statistics, and various other service delivery factors common to all communities.

The Assistant Commissioner, North Coast Region, considers the level of police resources at Bribie Island is appropriate at this time. Bribie Island Station operates a two-shift roster for seven days a week. Shifts terminate at 2.00 am on Friday mornings, 4.00 am on Saturday mornings and 3.00 am on Sunday mornings. The Station's front counter is open weekdays from 8.00am to 4.00pm.

The general duties uniform officer strength at Bribie Island was increased by one position in the 2004/05 staffing allocations. Staffing at the Station will continue to be monitored and revised to ensure an appropriate level of service is provided.

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I am further advised that when officers attached to Bribie Island Station are on patrol, or the Station is otherwise unattended, calls for assistance are automatically diverted to the Redcliffe District Police Communications Centre. This system provides a 24-hour service to members of the public requiring advice or assistance from police and also enables direct communications between the Centre and police patrol units. All calls to the Redcliffe District Police Communications Centre are prioritised to ensure an appropriate policing response is always provided.

Caboolture Police respond to all calls for service when Bribie Island Police are not rostered for duty. Caboolture Police Station operates on a 24-hour basis, seven days a week.

Policing services on Bribie Island are also supported by officers attached to various Redcliffe Police District units including the Criminal Investigation Branch, Juvenile Aid Bureau, Tactical Crime Squad, Traffic Branch, Dog Squad and Scenes of Crime Unit.

Sergeant Darren Tucker, Officer in Charge of Bribie Island Police Station, is available on telephone 5495 0444 to assist with any further enquiries relating to policing on Bribie Island.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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