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Member for Mount Gravatt



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25 AUG 2005

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

Dear Mr Laurie

Please find enclosed a copy of my response to Ms Barbara Stone MP, Member for Springwood, on behalf of the Principal Petitioner, Mr Jim Emerson, for tabled petition number 497-05 concerning traffic regulation affecting residents of the Beenleigh-Redland Bay Road service road between Reuben Street and California Creek Road Cornubia.

An electronic version of the response has been emailed to your office.

Yours sincerely

Judy Spence MP
Minister for Police and Corrective Services

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THE CLERK OF THE PARLIAMENT

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Ms Barbara Stone MP
Member for Springwood
PO Box 174
SPRINGWOOD QLD 4123

Dear Barbara

Thank you for your letter of 6 July 2005 forwarding a petition on behalf of constituents concerning traffic regulation affecting residents of the Beenleigh-Redland Bay Road service road between Reuben Street and California Creek Road Cornubia.

I referred this matter to the Queensland Police Service and am advised that Senior Sergeant Scott Lacey, Officer in Charge of Loganholme Police Station, contacted the Principal Petitioner, Mr Jim Emerson, on 1 August 2005 to discuss the issues the subject of the petition. I understand Senior Sergeant Lacey informed Mr Emerson that officers from Loganholme Station and the Logan District Traffic Branch have been tasked to undertake regular traffic enforcement of the area in question to address the concerns raised. As a result, infringement notices have been issued to motorists detected breaking the road rules in the vicinity, including a notice that attracted a \$700 penalty and a six month driver licence disqualification.

The police advise they have since contacted a number of the other petitioners to discuss their concerns and advise of the police actions taken.

The Police Service further advises that Senior Constable Shane Clark, Loganholme Police Traffic Manager, has been in contact with Mr Deva Naiker, Logan City Council Senior Traffic Engineer, to discuss the petitioners' concerns and the possibility of implementing engineering changes that may include 'traffic calming' works, as well as changes to the size and design of traffic signs on key intersections in the area. The police have been advised by Logan City Council that Council will be conducting traffic surveys in order to collate and assess all relevant data regarding possible engineering solutions.

A meeting is being arranged between Senior Constable Clark, Mr Naiker and Mr Emerson to discuss possible options and Mr Emerson will be included in ongoing community consultation involving local police and Logan City Council.

I am informed by the Police Service that Mr Emerson is satisfied with the actions taken to date and all Petitioners may be assured police will continue to work towards a satisfactory solution to the problems identified.

Senior Sergeant Lacey is available on telephone 3451 6366 to assist with any further enquiries in relation to this matter.

I would like to convey through you, my appreciation to all Petitioners for bringing this important issue to my attention.

I trust this information and the actions taken are of assistance.

Yours sincerely

Signed - J Spence

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Minister for Police and Corrective Services



Hon. Paul Lucas MP



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Minister for
Transport and Main Roads

14 SEP 2005

Mr Neil Laurie
The Clerk of the Parliament
Parliament House
George Street
Brisbane Qld 4000

Dear Mr Laurie *Neil*

Re: Petition 497-05 - Beenleigh-Redland Bay Road service road

I refer to the petition number 497-05 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Ms Barbara Stone MP, Member for Springwood, on 9 August 2005 about the Beenleigh-Redland Bay Road service road and in particular Gloria Street, Cornubia.

Ms Stone also made representations to me about this matter and I responded to her recently as follows.

"Gloria Street is not a state-controlled road and, therefore, the Department of Main Roads is not the appropriate body to respond in this instance. This street instead falls under the jurisdiction of Logan City Council. Further, the petition raised concerns about speeding and other traffic infringements, which are matters for consideration by the Queensland Police Service. These issues have been referred to Logan City Council and the Honourable Judy Spence MP, Minister for Police, for response direct.

Additionally, the residents requested the installation of noise barriers on Beenleigh-Redland Bay Road. Main Roads has previously received complaints about road traffic noise levels along Beenleigh-Redland Bay Road, near Stafford Street. Main Roads officers measured road traffic noise levels at this location in 2005. The results of testing showed levels to be at the minimum threshold for Main Roads to consider treatments within the road reserve. This may include measures such as noise barriers and/or noise reducing pavement treatments.

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While the test results indicate that treatment of this site is warranted, a number of other properties in the Brisbane metropolitan area currently warrant treatment also. Main Roads has to attend to these properties within the constraints of a finite budget. At present, funds are allocated on a priority basis according to a number of factors such as existing noise levels, the number of properties affected, the age of properties and the technical feasibility of implementing noise reducing measures at any given site.

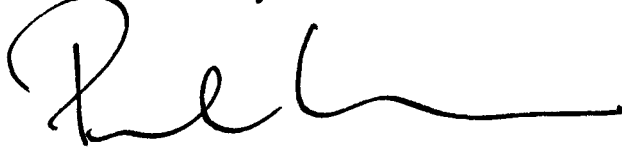
Main Roads has already allocated funds for higher priority areas for the 2005-06 financial year. However Beenleigh-Redland Bay Road is registered on a database of known road traffic noise affected areas and priorities are reviewed annually.

If you require any further information about management of road traffic noise, please contact Mr Norman Scott, Senior Environmental Officer in Main Roads Metropolitan District, on 3834 8476. Mr Scott will be pleased to assist.

Your petitioners have also requested an education campaign for local youth on safe driving practices. Queensland Transport distributes a kit called "Never the Same Again" to provisional licence holders, aged 17 and 18 years, two weeks after gaining their licence. The kit was developed in response to the over representation of young people in the road toll. It aims to connect with young drivers and riders by illustrating real life consequences of crashes involving young people. The kit contains a DVD of real case studies of young people involved in crashes and information to parents to facilitate discussion of key themes presented in the DVD.

All elements of the kit can be accessed from an accompanying website (www.neverthesameagain.com.au). The website also contains an online feedback form, road safety, licensing and registration information, vehicle buyer's checklist and a moderated forum facility to encourage discussion among young people of road safety topics."

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul Lucas', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

PAUL LUCAS MP

Minister for Transport and Main Roads