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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to your letter dated 2 December 2020 about petition number 3421-20.

I am advised that Queensland Police Service (QPS) contacted the principal petitioner on 8 December and discussed the issues raised in the petition.

I am advised that construction of the new Pimpama police facility was originally slated for completion by 2022 but has been fast-tracked for completion by November 2021.

In addition, it is important to note that the Palaszczuk Government's record 2020/21 police budget supports the rollout of an additional 2,025 police personnel over five years, from 1 July 2020, including 1,450 police officers. The additional personnel will not only give the Queensland Police Service (QPS) an enhanced capability to investigate and respond to crime, but also to disrupt and prevent crime.

I am advised that of the 1,450 additional police officers to be delivered over five years, at least 150 positions will be located in the South Eastern Police Region which includes the Gold Coast.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mark Ryan', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

The Honourable Mark Ryan MP
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