

## Minister for Transport and Main Roads

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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petitions 3623-21 and 3602-21 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Anthony Perrett MP, Member for Gympie on 12 October 2021 about the speed limit on the Bruce Highway from Bells Bridge intersection to Atkinson Road, Curra.

I am advised the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) conducted a speed review of the Bruce Highway, in October 2020, between the Wide Bay Highway and Harvey Siding Road intersections, which incorporates the area identified above. The speed review recommended retaining the 100 km/h speed limit along the Bruce Highway at this location. These findings were presented at the Gympie Regional Speed Management Committee (SMC) meeting in December 2020. The SMC—which consists of representatives from Gympie Regional Council, Queensland Police Service and TMR—endorsed the recommendation to retain the 100 km/h speed limit at this location.

TMR will undertake a review of the speed limit near this location on the Bruce Highway, following the completion of the Wide Bay Highway and Bruce Highway intersection upgrade. This review will again incorporate all the intersections of concern.

I can further advise TMR is currently developing the scope for an upgrade of the Bruce Highway between the Wide Bay Highway and Kirsten Drive intersections. The upgrade will include roadside improvements along the highway, as well as several intersection upgrades for improved safety along the highway. Construction is expected to commence during the 2022–23 financial year.

I will write to the Member for Gympie following completion of the upcoming speed limit review to advise him of the outcomes.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

**MARK BAILEY MP** 

Minister for Transport and Main Roads