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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition 3470-21, lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Dr Christian Rowan MP, Member for Moggill on 20 April 2021 about vegetation maintenance and pedestrian safety in the Moggill electorate.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) manages more than 33,000 kilometres of roads and continually monitors the state-controlled road network and bikeways to identify and carry out maintenance to provide a safe environment for motorists, pedestrians and bike riders.

TMR advises that grass cutting activities along Moggill Road were completed in February 2021. However, due to the wet weather experienced in February and March 2021, vegetation has grown quicker than anticipated and the wet weather has delayed vegetation maintenance cycles. Contractors have been working to clear the backlog.

I am advised that vegetation maintenance works on Moggill Road started on 27 April 2021 and was completed on 12 May 2021. In addition, upcoming tree clearing works are programmed along Moggill Road at three locations to further assist visibility between Rafting Ground Road, Brookfield Road and Grandview Road in Pinjarra Hills before the end of May 2021. TMR has also advised that sweeping activities along Moggill Road are scheduled to commence mid-May 2021.

On Mount Crosby Road, maintenance was previously undertaken in March 2021 and the next round of maintenance is scheduled to be completed on 21 May 2021, after Moggill Road is completed. Where a safety issue is identified, crews will spot brush cut to assist with visibility.

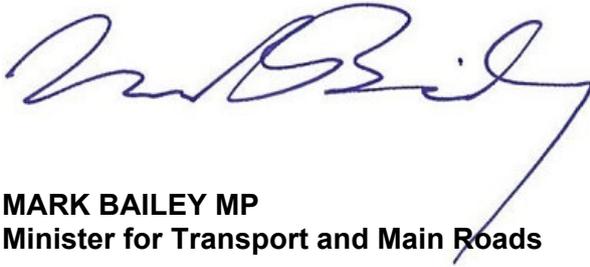
TMR continually monitors the network and programs maintenance as required. Where vegetation is a safety concern, areas are promptly made safe, and then further works are programmed according to priority and funding availability.

In relation to your request for pedestrian access to Moggill District Sports Park, as previously advised on 25 June 2019, 24 October 2019, and in my response to Question on Notice 188 on 10 March 2021, Brisbane City Council constructed the Moggill District Sports Park and a footpath was not included as part of its proposed development. As the location of the sports park is approximately 1.7 kilometres from the nearest bus stop and footpath network, it is considered that primary access to the site would be by vehicle along Moggill Road.

As there is high demand for pedestrian and bike rider infrastructure upgrades across Queensland, it is essential to prioritise investment across the state to areas of greatest need where it will create the largest positive impact. At this stage, there is no funding to provide access to the Moggill District Sports Park by public transport or footpath. However, if Moggill Road was to be significantly upgraded in the future, TMR would consider including a footpath or active transport connections as part of the upgrade.

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 curves downwards.

MARK BAILEY MP
Minister for Transport and Main Roads