

## Minister for Transport and Main Roads

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

Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition 3748-22 lodged with the Legislative Assembly on 1 September 2022 about a request to install a red-light camera on Moggill Road outside Indooroopilly State School (ISS).

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) and the Queensland Police Service (QPS) work together to deliver red-light and speed cameras on the Queensland road network. TMR and QPS install these road safety cameras at intersections with the greatest history of crashes involving motorists disobeying red lights, or speeding in the preceding five years. Every intersection in Queensland is considered when determining where new cameras will be installed.

Complete data for road crashes resulting in injuries is currently available through to 31 December 2021, however, I understand anecdotally that the crash the principal petitioner refers to occurred on 23 March 2022, involving a student crossing at the Moggill Road signals shortly after school concluded. While any road crash is concerning, it is particularly upsetting when a child is involved. As new road safety cameras are prioritised at locations with the greatest number of speed and red-light related crashes to maximise the potential to save lives and injuries, the history of crashes at this intersection has been reviewed. The road crash data that is currently available shows that, since 1 January 2017, there have been no other policereported casualty crashes involving motorists disobeying red traffic signals, or speeding at the intersection of Moggill Road and Russell Terrace, Indooroopilly.

TMR will continue to monitor crashes at this intersection but there are no current plans to install a new road safety camera at the intersection of Moggill Road and Russell Terrace, Indooroopilly. This is because there are other locations in Queensland where a higher number of crashes have occurred due to motorists speeding and disobeying red signals. This intersection will be assessed again in upcoming rounds of site selections for combined red-light and speed cameras, including consideration of the crash the principal petitioner has identified.

While a new fixed road safety camera cannot be installed at this time, petitioners can report any instances of unsafe driving witnessed to Policelink any time by telephone on 131 444, or online at www.police.qld.gov.au/policelink-reporting. Policelink is a statewide service that enables police officers to gather intelligence information and make decisions about carrying out enforcement activities.

Installing school zones and flashing school zone signs (FSZS) are a key treatment for improving safety in school zones, by reducing the travelling speed of vehicles, which consequently reduces the likelihood and severity of road crashes. An existing school zone with FSZS operates from 7–9 am and 2–4 pm on school days along Moggill Road for ISS, and includes this intersection, which slows motorists down to increase the time and distance for motorists to respond to hazards and reduce the impact when a crash occurs.

TMR and QPS are continually investigating new ways to improve safety at school zones and across the road network. The petitioners may be interested to know that the Palaszczuk Government has recently released Roadways Behaviour Monitoring Systems cameras. These speed cameras—being piloted until 2024—are installed in school zone signs to detect and issue infringements to speeding motorists. Speed enforcement also helps to reduce the number and severity of crashes at signalised intersections by discouraging motorists from speeding to 'catch' a yellow light and by keeping motorists at, or below the speed limit to minimise the severity of injuries when a crash does occur, especially in more complex road environments such as school zones.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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