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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to your letter dated 27 November 2020 about petition 3366-20.

I can advise that the Officer in Charge of Mango Hill/North Lakes Police Station, contacted the principal petitioner and provided him with information in relation to the policing response currently provided in the North Brisbane/Moreton Police Districts.

The Mango Hill/North Lakes Division includes the suburbs of North Lakes, Murrumba Downs, Griffin and Mango Hill and is serviced by the Mango Hill/North Lakes Police Station, which is a 24 hour station located at 21 Discovery Drive, North Lakes.

The allocation of resources is an operational decision made by the Commissioner of Police, free from political interference.

I am advised that determination of appropriate staffing is made on the basis of operational policing and direct service delivery requirements to ensure a fair and equitable service is provided throughout the State. These requirements can change as new policing issues emerge. The Queensland Police Service is constantly reviewing the options available to ensure the best possible service is provided to the people of Queensland, including those residing in Murrumba Downs and surrounding suburbs.

However, 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 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 North Coast Police Region which includes the Mango Hill/North Lakes Police Division.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mark Ryan', written over a white background.

The Honourable Mark Ryan MP
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