



## 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 3428-20, lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Michael Crandon MP, Member for Coomera on 1 December 2020 about the need to upgrade bus services between Beenleigh and Ormeau railway stations.

The Palaszczuk Government is committed to providing an integrated and efficient public transport network for Queensland.

Our government has a strong record of investing in public transport – whether it's Cross River Rail, light rail on the Gold Coast, upgrading train stations or new bus services in our growing outer-urban areas.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) acknowledges that growth is occurring in the Ormeau Hills and Jacobs Ridge areas, however existing bus services have considerable available capacity, indicating a low level of demand. As such, neither an extension of span of hours or additional service frequency is being considered at this time.

TMR receives many requests for additional bus services. As there is high demand for additional bus services across Queensland, it is essential to prioritise investment across the state to areas of greatest need where it will create the largest positive impact. TMR will continue to monitor growth and development to ensure services continue to meet the needs of these communities.

When the LNP were last in power they cut \$1.6 billion from the State's roads and transport budget, which included sacking 1700 Queensland Rail workers and 700 Roadtek workers.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mark Bailey', with a long, sweeping tail that extends downwards and to the right.

**MARK BAILEY MP**  
**Minister for Transport and Main Roads**