

Minister for Transport and Main Roads Minister for Digital Services

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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 4056-24, lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Michael Crandon MP, Member for Coomera on 30 April 2024 about upgrading bus services between Beenleigh and Ormeau railway stations.

The Miles Government is committed to delivering improved bus services to support the demand for public transport in one of the fastest growing areas of Australia. A total of \$16.4 million has been jointly committed with City of Gold Coast over five years for bus network improvements in the northern Gold Coast area.

These improvements will be delivered across three stages:

- Stage 1 was implemented on 13 February 2023 providing improved service frequencies and extended span of hours for routes 721, 722 and 726 in Coomera Waters, Pimpama and Upper Coomera
- Stage 2 was implemented on 19 June 2023 with two new buses routes 720 and 724 –
 providing 284 weekly trips for Coomera and Pimpama, on either side of the Pacific
 Motorway.
- Stage 3 is in detailed planning with bus stops currently being constructed to support the introduction of services in Pimpama and Jacobs Well, and the review of bus services between Ormeau and Beenleigh. I am advised Stage 3 also includes a review of bus routes 728 and 729 between Ormeau and Beenleigh.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads will continue to work with its delivery partner to monitor the performance of routes 728, 729, 720 and 724 and consider improvements to maintain and improve their reliability as part of ongoing reviews of the network.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

BART MELLISH MP

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