

The Honourable Scott Emerson MP Minister for Transport and Main Roads

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Mr Neil Laurie
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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to a petition number 1944-12 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Tim Mulherin MP, Member for Mackay on 13 February 2013 about the request for additional park 'n' ride facilities in Nundah.

I note that the previous Labor government had a policy to ban additional park 'n' ride spaces within 10km of the Brisbane CBD, this includes Nundah. I also note that the Member for Mackay failed to criticise that policy which we scrapped when we came to office.

The Queensland Government recognises that there is a high demand for parking across the TransLink network. However, due to the significant debt left by the previous Labor Government, funding of new park 'n' ride facilities is very difficult. The Newman Government is working hard to restore the state's finances so more money can be directed to better infrastructure and services for Queenslanders.

The government supports a balanced approach for customers wishing to access the rail network from this area. This includes walking from growing residential areas in proximity to Nundah rail station and local connecting bus services.

Yours sincerely

Scott Emerson MP

Minister for Transport and Main Roads