

Minister for Transport and Main Roads

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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition number 3328-20 lodged with the Legislative Assembly on 19 May 2020 about safe walking and cycling at the proposed new intersection of Gladstone Road and TJ Doyle Memorial Drive at Dutton Park, to facilitate access to the Queensland Government's new Inner-City South State Secondary College (ICSSSC).

While the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) is not directly responsible for the project design, TMR is working with the Department of Education and Brisbane City Council (BCC) to achieve better outcomes for pedestrians and cyclists, consistent with recognised best-practice guidelines.

This matter was also raised with me by the Member for South Brisbane and I agree that the design of the intersection needs substantial improvement.

Not only is getting the design of this intersection vital for local residents and the safe and efficient operation of the ICSSSC, Gladstone Road is also an important link in Brisbane's wider active transport network, particularly for people commuting to the Central Business District and riders of our iconic 'River Loop'.

I will also ensure the matter is on the agenda for discussion at the first meeting of the joint Queensland Government/BCC Active Transport Advisory Committee, and have already flagged this with the Right Honourable, the Lord Mayor of Brisbane, Councillor Adrian Schrinner.

The intersection, if designed well, could make a positive difference to increased use of active transport, and management of school traffic congestion.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

MARK BAILEY MP

Minister for Transport and Main Roads