

## 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 4181-24, lodged with the Legislative Assembly on 18 February 2025 about the Ferny Grove to Samford Bikeway.

The Samford to Ferny Grove Cycle Link provides a connection for people riding bikes, walking and scooting between Ferny Grove Rail Station and Samford Village. The project was delivered under the former Labor Government in two stages:

- Stage 1 provided a link between Ferny Grove Rail Station and Petersen Road, via sections of a dedicated cycleway, as well as on-road sections through local streets. It improved accessibility and connectivity by sealing a three-metre wide, 1.4-kilometre pathway through Samford Forest, in addition to intersection lighting and signage, and building a 400-metre offroad shared pathway connecting McLean Road North and Petersen Road
- Stage 2 delivered low-cost bicycle infrastructure improvements between Stage 1 and Samford Village, including signage installation and yellow bike symbols on road surfaces along Petersen Road and Camp Mountain Road.

Regrettably, the important works to connect the remainder of the Bikeway through to Samford Village was not able to be completed due to the economic mismanagement of the former Labor Government. While I acknowledge that further works on the connection via Petersen Road and Camp Mountain Road would be attractive for residents in the Ferny Grove and Samford Village area, the current economic challenges arising as a result of a decade of poor government has meant that the cost of these works would not be a cost-effective expenditure of Queensland's limited public funds.

Notwithstanding this, please be assured that the Crisafulli Government will continue to monitor future opportunities to identify potential improvements in line with funding availability going forwards.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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BRENT MICKELBERG MP Minister for Transport and Main Roads