





Warren Pitt MP Member for Mulgrave

Our ref: MC36912

Your ref: 1123-08

Minister for Main Roads and Local Government

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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 number 1123-08 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Dr Bruce Flegg MP, Member for Moggill, on 11 September 2008, about a request for a crossing for pedestrians at the intersection of Moggill and Grandview Roads, Pullenvale.

In July 2008, the Department of Main Roads completed a business case to review various options to improve the intersection of Grandview and Moggill Roads. The recommended solution to improve the capacity of the right turn into Grandview Road, as well as the pedestrian movement across Moggill Road, is to signalise this intersection. This project will be prioritised against other road safety improvement projects.

Further to Dr Flegg's previous representations for pedestrian crossing facilities to be provided at Grandview Road, Main Roads advises there is insufficient sight distance on Moggill Road at this location for a pedestrian refuge. The closest location where sight distances could be met is approximately 200m from Grandview Road. Such a facility at this location would mean pedestrians wanting to cross from the outbound bus stop to Grandview Road, will have to walk an additional 400m that is, 200m in both directions, to use the crossing facility. Experience shows that this is too far and pedestrians will choose to cross closer to their origin/destination points. Therefore, this is not a realistic option for improving road safety in this instance.

Main Roads has provided many crossing facilities along Moggill Road, with more being planned for pedestrian safety. A pedestrian refuge between Montanus Drive and Birkin Road provides a safe crossing point on Moggill Road.

There are five other crossing locations on Moggill Road that have kerb ramps and pedestrian refuges in the medians. Three are located in Bellbownie, one near the RSL retirement home and one near the CSIRO facility. Three signalised pedestrian crossings exist across Moggill Road in Kenmore Village.

Main Roads has already undertaken many improvement projects on Moggill Road, with more planned, to enhance safety for motorists and pedestrians.

Level 18 41 George Street Brisbane PO Box 15031 City East Queensland 4002 Australia Telephone +61 7 3227 8819 Facsimile +61 7 3221 9964 Website www.qld.gov.au As part of the current Moggill Road Upgrade from Pullenvale Road to Kilkivan Avenue (South), three signalised intersections with pedestrian crossings and improved pedestrian pathways will be installed on Moggill Road at Pullenvale Road, Rafting Ground Road and Kilkivan Avenue. These crossings should start operating by late 2008 when the upgraded road opens.

Further, new guardrails, signage, footpaths, pedestrian ramps and intersection improvements are currently being installed along Moggill Road between the Western Freeway and Moggill Ferry Road

The department is also changing line markings at the Moggill Road and Merlin Terrace intersection to eradicate the left-turn in and out of Merlin Terrace. This change will increase the safety of motorists and pedestrians in the area.

Over \$500 000 worth of safety works at the intersection of Moggill Road and Quentin Street are expected to start in early 2009, including the installation of a median island across Moggill Road and restricting left-in and left-out turns from Quentin Street.

In 2009, Main Roads will carry out Moggill Road intersection upgrades at Princeton Street and Kilkivan Avenue. Main Roads will also install a right-turn lane from Moggill Road into Witton Road, helping improve pedestrian crossing facilities.

The department is currently investigating signalising the Moggill and Birkin Roads intersection to increase motorist and pedestrian safety.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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Minister for Main Roads