



Minister for Transport and Main Roads

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Mr Neil Laurie
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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition 3460-21, lodged with the Legislative Assembly on 20 April 2021 about a heavy vehicle bypass in Childers.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) identified a preferred alignment for the proposed Childers bypass corridor to the southwest of Childers as an outcome of planning conducted in 1994. While TMR has undertaken some further planning, this work is not conclusive, and the corridor alignment is yet to be finalised or approved.

The Queensland Government has no plans to implement a temporary bypass of Childers for heavy vehicles as existing infrastructure surrounding Childers is not suitable for a heavy vehicle route.

As there is high demand for infrastructure upgrades across Queensland, it is essential to prioritise investment across the state to areas of greatest need where it will create the largest positive impact. I can assure petitioners, TMR will continue to monitor growth and development to ensure services continue to meet the needs of the community.

Concerns relating to heavy vehicle operator behaviour, including speeding, running red lights and mounting kerbs are a compliance issue. It is recommended community concerns are reported to the Queensland Police Service for enforcement.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mark Bailey', with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

MARK BAILEY MP
Minister for Transport and Main Roads