

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 3765-22, lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Mark Boothman MP, Member for Theodore on 12 October 2022, regarding the proposed Hope Island train station and the need for suitable car parking facilities.

The Cross River Rail Delivery Authority (the Delivery Authority) is continuing to plan three new rail stations on the Gold Coast Line to help better connect South East Queensland's growing population at Pimpama, Hope Island and Merrimac.

The current station design includes 179 car parks, however, following community consultation undertaken in October 2019 and August 2021, and in recognition of the strong community feedback to increase parking capacity at Hope Island, options to enable car parking expansion are being investigated to be delivered as part of a staged approach.

Further, the Hope Island station will have an undercover lock-up bicycle storage facility for commuters taking active transport routes to the station when complete.

Construction on the Hope Island station is planned to commence in 2023. The community will be notified of the final design for construction—in addition to the construction program and activities—well in advance of works commencing on site.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

MARK BAILEY MP

Minister for Transport and Main Roads