

## Minister for Education and Minister for Tourism, Major Events and the Commonwealth Games

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Mr Neil Laurie Clerk of the Parliament Parliament House George Street BRISBANE QLD 4000

Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to Petition 2803-17 tabled in the Legislative Assembly on 9 August 2017 regarding upgrade to parking, bus services and road access at Pimpama State Primary College.

I would like to draw the petitioners' attention to my previous response to Petition 2738-17 tabled in the Legislative Assembly on 13 June 2017 regarding this matter. Following the tabling of my response to Petition 2738-17, I can advise the next meeting of the joint Safe School Travel Committee (SafeST) is scheduled for 7 September 2017, where the Committee will review plans showing proposed changes to the public carpark.

The SafeST works with stakeholders, including the road safety and public transport areas of the Department of Transport and Main Roads (DTMR), Pimpama State Primary College Parents and Citizens' Association, and the City of Gold Coast. The SafeST's role is to coordinate responses to concerns regarding safe transport, bus capacity, traffic congestion and parking in the area. Translink, a division of DTMR, is responsible for the bus services. A representative from Translink attends the joint SafeST Committee meetings. The SafeST will continue to collaborate to develop a suitable solution for the school.

At this time no further information is available. However, should you wish to discuss this matter further, I invite you to contact Mr Kevin Mara, Assistant Director-General, Infrastructure Services, on telephone 3034 4520 or by email at <a href="mailto:kevin.mara@det.qld.gov.au">kevin.mara@det.qld.gov.au</a>.

I would like to thank your petitioners for raising this matter with me and I trust that this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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