

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 3781-22, lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Dr Christian Rowan MP, Member for Moggill on 8 November 2022, about the provision of bus services to residents in Karana Downs, Mount Crosby, Lake Manchester, Kholo, Anstead and surrounding areas.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads' Translink Division (Translink) is committed to providing an integrated and efficient public transport network. It is not always possible to provide transport services to all areas of Queensland. This is particularly the case in low-density and semi-rural regions, as they are often significantly more expensive to service and demand is generally inadequate to support stand-alone scheduled services.

Translink acknowledges the requests by the local community for access to the public transport network. While Karana Downs has a small number of suburban style housing estates, overall, the suburbs of Karana Downs, Mount Crosby, Anstead, Kholo and Lake Manchester have very low levels of density, and only a small proportion of the population lives in close proximity to roads which would support bus services.

Given the above, there are currently no plans to provide a bus service to these suburbs. The Personalised Public Transport service provided by Brisbane City Council is currently the best option to service the Karana Downs area. For more information on Personalised Public Transport services, please visit www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/traffic-transport/public-transport/special-taxi-services/personalised-public-transport.

This service allows residents to connect to the high-frequency bus route 444, which provides a service along the Moggill Road corridor to the Brisbane CBD and Southbank. The Kenmore park 'n' ride facility and upgraded stops at Grandview Road provide additional options for residents to connect with bus route 444.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

MARK BAILEY MP

Minister for Transport and Main Road