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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 2764-17 lodged with the Legislative Assembly on 5 September 2017 about parking at Strathpine station.

The Palaszczuk Government is committed to providing an integrated and efficient public transport network for Queensland.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) recognises there is a high demand for park 'n' ride facilities across South East Queensland (SEQ). As a result of this demand, it is essential that TMR prioritises investment where it will create the largest possible impact.

When planning and delivering park 'n' ride facilities, TMR evaluates each location to identify where customers have limited options for accessing public transport. Through this process, TMR also assesses the likely impact that a potential park 'n' ride development would have on the transport network, economic development and future land use outcomes.

TMR will continue to periodically survey all park 'n' rides in SEQ to monitor how and when they are used and where users are travelling from. This information will help to ensure that investment is targeted where park 'n' ride is most appropriate.

As you are aware, Queensland Rail is making improvements to Strathpine station as part of their \$212 million Station Upgrade Program which is designed to provide customers with safer and easier travel. Improvements include a new pedestrian footbridge with lift access, raised selection of platform at assisted boarding points, extended platform shelters, upgraded station entrances, a refurbished unisex accessible toilet, upgraded CCTV and station lighting, new wayfinding and platform signage.

Preliminary construction works are scheduled to begin in November 2017, weather permitting. These works aim to improve accessibility for commuters to nearby activity centres such as Strathpine Shopping Centre, Strathpine Library and Community Centre.

Furthermore, TMR has recently completed an upgrade to the bus interchange at Strathpine Shopping Centre. As part of this upgrade, \$45,000 was invested in three new bus stop shelters, signage as well as a number of accessibility improvements which enhances connectivity to Strathpine station. I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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