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OXLEY ROAD

Mr BEANLAND (Indooroopilly—LP) (7.24 p.m.): I rise to talk about the safety of pedestrians, and particularly children, who use Oxley Road, which runs between Chelmer and Oxley. Under the new traffic speed limit for urban streets, the community had an expectation that the speed limit on that road would be reduced from the current 60 km/h to 50 km/h. However, that has not occurred and the limit remains at 60 km/h. In the interests of road safety, I urge the Minister for Transport to take this matter up with the Lord Mayor and the Brisbane City Council and have the speed limit reduced.

If we are interested in road safety, we should reduce the speed on this particular road. After all, it carries heavy vehicular traffic. A number of schools such as the Graceville State School, the Milpera Special School for English as a second language students, Christ the King school, the Sherwood State School, the Corinda State School, the Corinda State High School and the Oxley schools, not to mention a number of kindergartens, all border the road. It is also a busy residential street that contains a large number of properties. In addition, there are a large number of shops in the vicinity. Therefore, there is a heavy movement of children in the morning and afternoon, and even outside school hours, there is still a very heavy movement of children and adults along that road.

Clearly this matter needs attention. It is not good enough to say that it is a traffic corridor that carries a heavy flow of traffic. The road is also heavily trafficked by children and adults. I appeal to both the Brisbane City Council and the Minister for Transport to look at the situation with a view to reducing the speed limit in the interests of road safety.
