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PRIVATE MEMBER'S STATEMENTS

State Infrastructure Plan

 **Mr NICHOLLS** (Clayfield—LNP) (2.49 pm): Every day that passes since the release of the failed State Infrastructure Plan by the Palaszczuk Labor government delivers more cracks and more holes in a plan that barely deserves a title. Yesterday I highlighted the Burleigh Fire and Emergency Services Station—another plan delivered by the LNP. I have had some assistance. The detectives on our side have been having a look through the State Infrastructure Plan and not surprisingly have found a few more fails. We would expect nothing less from a plan that has, I think, the imprimatur of not just the Deputy Premier but also the member for Mulgrave.

One of those fails, Mr Speaker, is on page 52 of the document where you will see reference to the 'Central Toowoomba Zone Substation upgrade'—a one to four-year plan. The only problem with this plan is that the Treasurer opened it back in December. It was already there. I table his media release.

Tabled paper: Media release, undated, by the Treasurer, Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships and Minister for Sport, Hon. Curtis Pitt, titled 'Toowoomba power-proofed for decades to come with hidden substation' [[349](#)].

He also donned a uniform to prove he was there. I table the photograph.

Tabled paper: Extract, dated 16 December 2015, of the Facebook page of the Treasurer, Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships and Minister for Sport, Hon. Curtis Pitt, showing a photograph of Hon. Curtis Pitt [[350](#)].

What he was really doing was delivering on another LNP project, because it was announced by the then energy minister, the member for Caloundra, back in 2014—but that is not all. There is another project. On page 78 of the document—

Mr McArdle: This is embarrassing now.

Mr NICHOLLS: This is even more embarrassing for the Treasurer. In Gordonvale, in his very own electorate, we see reference to the 'Gordonvale early years centre'—a program that on its Facebook page is already up and running. I table that.

Tabled paper: Extract, dated 21 January, of the Cairns Early Years Centre and Kindergarten's Facebook page, regarding Gordonvale Early Years Centre Update [[351](#)].

I have here the timetable and some of the subjects that the member for Mulgrave can go to. Perhaps he might like to join in with 'our weekly craft ideas or bring your own'. That might be a suggestion—bring his own. Not only do we have projects that have already been delivered; we have projects that were announced by this side that have been picked up by those opposite including the

Beaudesert Town Centre Bypass, incorrectly referred to as the 'Beaudesert Road Bypass'. We are building a bypass to bypass a road now! Who was the author of this bit of genius? The Deputy Premier herself. There is the official statement. I table both of those documents.

Tabled paper: Document, undated, titled 'Mount Lindesay Highway—Beaudesert Town Centre Bypass' [\[352\]](#).

Tabled paper: Media release, dated 23 April 2015, by the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Trade, Hon. Jackie Trad, titled 'Government green lights Beaudesert bypass' [\[353\]](#).

This is not a plan; this is an LNP report card.

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