



Speech By Michael Crandon

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Mr CRANDON (Coomera—LNP) (7.00 pm): I rise to put on record some of the Labor fails that have occurred over the last little while for the state seat of Coomera. Just one example in relation to the 'rail fail'—

Mr Krause: You only have three minutes.

Mr CRANDON: I understand. It is going to take a lot longer than three minutes, I can assure you.

Mr DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Through the chair, member for Coomera.

Mr CRANDON: Ninety-three services were put in place by the LNP government. This minister managed to take 10 per cent of those services away.

I have here an email from a constituent headed 'Rail fail, coast line tonight', talking about the rail fail on the coast. It states—

This seems to happen every time we get a drop of rain. We got on the train at 6.15 to Ormeau station from Central station, sitting at Park Road until eight o'clock.

This is a disgrace in this day and age. The second one, just as an offset from that, states—

We have the Pimpama Railway Station that was promised before the 2017 election. Where is that? Who would know? Maybe 2023, maybe 2024.

What is the point of making a promise in 2017? There are the hospital fails. Apart from ramping and patients on stretchers, what about the urgent, life-threatening issues? Right at the end of a very sad email from one of my constituents she says—

We are not whingers, I can assure you of that. My mother is enduring a slow death, becoming unable to breathe properly. She is a patient lady and I can assure you both her and I have dealt with them on all occasions completely respectfully.

She has outlined all of those issues to me, but we received the email on 19 November. We wrote to the minister on 20 November 2018 asking for urgent attention. When did the minister respond? He responded on 14 February 2019. When we went back to discuss the matter with this lady, she said that it is too late. Sadly, her mother had passed away. Her last words to me were, 'Please on my behalf thank the minister for doing absolutely nothing.' It is sad when you see those sorts of things going on all the time.

I have another case for the health minister to consider. A constituent at Jacobs Well wrote to me. Sadly, her husband had passed away. It was a sad occasion. He had suffered a heart attack, but she was not writing to me about that. She was simply saying to me that she had wanted to know about ambulance services. I put that question to the minister and the minister wrote back to me. We are still waiting for the second response because in the first response he did not answer the specific questions. We will continue this discussion at the next opportunity in the next adjournment debate.

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