



Speech By
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MEMBER FOR KURWONGBAH

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 **Mr KING** (Kurwongbah—ALP) (7.13 pm): Throughout the last couple of weeks an information flyer has been landing in the mailboxes of residents across the Kurwongbah electorate. This flyer details achievements I have been able to deliver since my election as the state member for Kurwongbah in 2017—achievements such as delivering a new Dakabin station, worth \$41 million; delivering a \$150 million Bruce Highway interchange upgrade at Burpengary that will mirror the Boundary Road upgrade we delivered in Narangba last term; delivering a long-awaited solution to the Petrie roundabout traffic bottleneck, with a \$30 million intersection; delivering air conditioning and solar for all state schools; delivering a \$10 million park-and-ride at Lawnton station; and tens of millions of dollars in school improvements including at Burpengary, Jinibara, Kurwongbah and Narangba state schools, which each got between \$250,000 and \$500,000 in extra maintenance funding; \$3 million for Narangba Valley State School; new musical instruments at Narangba Valley State High School; \$62,000 to extend the science centre at Genesis Christian College; \$50,000 worth of improvements at Redwood College—

Mr Hart interjected.

Mr DEPUTY SPEAKER (Mr Whiting): The member for Burleigh is warned under the standing orders.

Mr KING:—a tuckshop upgrade and our first government funded local completion of air conditioning at Petrie State School; a new \$5 million hall for Lawnton State School; and a \$10 million STEM hub at Burpengary State Secondary College.

These big achievements would not be possible without community partnerships and support or without functional working relationships with other levels of government. It is these relationships that have helped us to secure significant investment in local sporting and community infrastructure such as four new change rooms at Mathieson Park, home of the mighty Pine Rivers Bears; \$300,000 for the Narangba Rangers Rugby League; \$2 million for new tennis courts at Harris Avenue, Narangba; as well as Active Clubs and Gambling Community Benefit Fund grants for Burpengary Jets and Burpengary Brumbies, Narangba Crows, Narangba Demons, Narangba Eagles, Moreton Bay Lions, Narangba Bowls Club and Pine Rivers Pony Club.

Mr Hart interjected.

Mr DEPUTY SPEAKER: Member for Burleigh, you can leave for an hour under the standing orders.

Whereupon the honourable member for Burleigh withdrew from the chamber at 7.15 pm.

Mr KING: The member for Burleigh is jealous when he sees a good local member who delivers for his community!

Through government grants of over \$3 million in total since 2017, we have also achieved: more funding for Meals on Wheels, both Burpengary and Pine Rivers; better disability access at Old Petrie Town; new facilities for Pine Rivers Men's Shed; funding for local Girl Guides and Scout projects, and much more. Finally, I advocated for and won an \$18 million upgrade to Sideling Creek Dam, Lake Kurwongbah, shoring up its future as a recreational lake. Now I am fighting to extend the Narangba park-and-ride and fast-track the Burpengary train station upgrade. In fact, I handed a petition to the minister yesterday.

Our government delivers for our community and keeps Queenslanders safe with our coronavirus plan. Our opponents, the LNP and One Nation, keep calling for the borders to be opened and risk undoing all the good work Queenslanders have done. I know which plan we need to stick to, and it is not the dangerous, risky path brought about by One Nation and the LNP.