



## Speech By Hon. Mark Ryan

## MEMBER FOR MORAYFIELD

Record of Proceedings, 14 October 2021

## PRIVATE MEMBERS' STATEMENT

## Morayfield Electorate, Investment

Hon. MT RYAN (Morayfield—ALP) (Minister for Police and Corrective Services and Minister for Fire and Emergency Services) (2.15 pm): Because of our strong health response and also the hard work of Queenslanders, our economy is open which means we can continue to invest in our economy, continue to deliver improved infrastructure and support more jobs. It is great to see that the unemployment rate in Queensland has now come down to almost record lows, down to 4.9 per cent, the lowest since 2009. We will not stop there, of course. We will continue to invest in the economy, invest in infrastructure and deliver the facilities and the services that the people of Queensland need and deserve from their state government.

I was very pleased to attend the official opening of the new Morayfield bus station only two weeks ago. It is a tremendous investment in public transport. It was great to see that project delivered. It was a \$6 million project which supported a number of construction jobs during its delivery. It is right next to the Morayfield Shopping Centre. People are frequent users of that bus station, so it is already delivering better public transport outcomes and in a more comfortable way. It is a great demonstration of our government's commitment to ensuring that the people of Morayfield and surrounds have really good facilities.

Ms Grace: We love Morayfield.

Mr RYAN: Minister Grace is a big fan of Morayfield and she continues to deliver for the region.

Mr Nicholls: Catches the bus up there, does she?

**Mr RYAN:** I know that you have seen buses up there, Minister Grace.

Ms Grace: Absolutely!

**Mr RYAN:** And you have also seen the Morayfield State High School. Minister Grace was a great champion for that school. We are about to celebrate, Minister Grace, the completion of construction of the brand new hall at Morayfield State High School. They are very excited.

Ms Grace: Hear, hear! Cannot wait!

**Mr RYAN:** Thank you, Minister Grace, for your support. I want to talk about other infrastructure like sporting facilities which our government is working in partnership with other levels of government to deliver. We are talking about the Caboolture rugby and Caboolture touch football facilities on Petersen Road, a joint project with the federal government.

An opposition member: The mighty Snakes.

**Mr RYAN:** Yes, the mighty Snakes. Go, the Snakies! The mighty Snakes are looking forward to their new facilities, a joint project with the federal government, the state government, the council, as well as the club itself. All up, it is over \$3 million and we are all contributing to that.

There is one project where I am a bit disappointed with the federal government on. They have been calling for investment and the state government and the council have stepped up with their investment, but the federal government has not yet made its contribution. This is the new PCYC facility for Caboolture. The local federal MP, Terry Young, made an announcement two years ago to say, 'Come on, state government, come on federal government'—called on his own government to do it— 'and come on council, make a contribution.' The state government has contributed \$4 million. The council has contributed \$2.5 million. So far, Terry has contributed zero. So, as it goes in the movie, 'Show me the money, Jerry'—show me the money, Terry!