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Ms McMILLAN (Mansfield—ALP) (7.09 pm): I am very proud today to share the exciting updates on school infrastructure and the Eight Mile Plains Satellite Hospital investment that will significantly enhance the Mansfield community. As a former school leader and educator, I know the importance of investing in teachers, the teaching and learning process, and school infrastructure for my community.

I am delighted to reveal that Mackenzie state school will be receiving a fantastic upgrade, with the installation of outdoor lighting for its sports field. This project will better enable community involvement and encourage our young people to stay active and engaged. We have grand plans for Upper Mount Gravatt State School to expand the school's parking facilities by adding a substantial 28 new spaces that will not only ease congestion but make the school drop-off safer and quicker. In total, we aim to provide 52 parking spaces for staff and visitors, all connected by pedestrian pathways and protected by an acoustic screen fence to ensure harmony with our neighbours.

Since being elected in November 2017, I have delivered more than \$200 million to our local schools. These investments include: \$16.2 million for Rochedale State High School to deliver a new hall as part of my 2020 election commitment; \$11.1 million for Wishart State School to build new classrooms; and \$600,000 for Rochedale State School to refurbish their administration block. I take this opportunity to congratulate the Minister for Education on her commitment to the children of Queensland. The Palaszczuk government has a clear vision for education. We believe that a quality education transforms lives. It is the best investment that we can make for the future of Queensland and for the future prosperity of our great state.

Shifting our focus to health care, we celebrate the extraordinary commitment of the Palaszczuk government to the Eight Mile Plains Satellite Hospital—a game-changing addition to our community. This facility features a brand new minor injury and illness clinic, offering urgent care to patients facing non-life-threatening illnesses and minor injuries. The satellite hospital will offer services including medical imaging, renal dialysis, chemotherapy and 280 weekly appointments. Walk-in urgent care services will be free for Medicare holders. We have tailored the operational hours to meet our community's needs. For the minor injury and illness clinic, it is 8 am to 10 pm seven days a week.

The above demonstrates my unwavering commitment to enhancing Mansfield's school infrastructure and health care. These updates signify our dedication to a safer, more prosperous and healthier community. I will continue to work tirelessly towards a better future for the Mansfield electorate.