



Speech By
Hon. Amanda Camm

MEMBER FOR WHITSUNDAY

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MOTION

Women's Safety and Justice Taskforce, Progress Report

 **Hon. AJ CAMM** (Whitsunday—LNP) (Minister for Families, Seniors and Disability Services and Minister for Child Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence) (5.35 pm): I move the following amendment—

That all words after 'That this House' be omitted and the following paragraphs inserted:

1. calls on the opposition to release all documents regarding the Women Safety and Justice Taskforce, including all cabinet and CBRC documents, briefing notes, attachments, and any other related material, by 5 pm on Thursday, 27 August 2026;
2. notes the Women Safety and Justice Taskforce first report was handed down in 2021 and that significant number of taskforce recommendations were left unfulfilled when the former government lost office in October 2024;
3. notes the record funding provided by the Crisafulli LNP government for the prevention of domestic and family violence, which represents an increase of 45.5 per cent compared to Labor last budget in 2024-25, and includes funding to deliver Women Safety and Justice Taskforce recommendations.'

We said that we would progress the implementation of the Women's Safety and Justice Taskforce's recommendations—and we prosecuted that strongly from opposition—and that is exactly what we are doing. That is not all that we are doing, though. The Women's Safety and Justice Taskforce is one piece—a very important piece—of the response to domestic and family violence.

We are investing 45.5 per cent more into domestic and family violence funding than Labor did in their final budget. I note that those opposite stood in front of the media when it came to time-limited funding attached to recommendations that have been completed. In fact, we have taken the initiative to increase the budget and expand the recommendations, and I am referring to recommendation 37 in report No. 1 where we have extended the funding for the Cairns DFV co-responder trial. I stood with the members for Cairns and Mulgrave when we expanded that. The former Labor government had planned to end that—

An opposition member interjected.

Ms CAMM: Next time I am in Cairns, I will be sure to notify the member for Cairns and his community that we extended the funding which they were going to cut because it was a time-limited project. As we have extended that for the next 12 months, when we evaluate that project and that recommendation we will assess the impact that it has had on the Cairns community. We will not leave the Cairns community high and dry with time-limited funding, which the member for Cairns was part of as a former cabinet minister.

We talk a lot about ticking boxes, but on this side of the House we care about phones being answered. That is why we went to work with DVConnect to ensure their crisis line answer rate in this state improved. Under those opposite, it was 41.9 per cent. Now, it is sitting stable at 84 per cent. We have made a commitment to double that. That is why we have announced a 24/7 North Queensland hub. It was not a recommendation of the Women's Safety and Justice Taskforce, but it is a policy of this government.

We know those opposite do not care about regional Queensland, and they do not care about phones being answered either. Partnering with the leadership of this specialised sector, we have designed and developed a 24/7 crisis line that will support Cairns, Hinchinbrook, the Burdekin and Palm Island. Those opposite oversaw a crisis call line where less than half of the calls were being answered and people were asking, 'Where's Palm Island?' and 'Can you catch a train from there to Brisbane?' It was absolutely ludicrous that those opposite think that their record demonstrated putting victims first.

We have rolled out GPS tracking devices. We have delivered PPDs and there will be more reforms to come. We have rolled out 2,000 new police recruits; a sexual violence peak; a strategy and commissioning framework so that we respect taxpayers' money and make sure the investment is going where it needs to; three new hope hubs; remote shelter network funding—we actually delivered gas to remote shelters in the Torres Strait that those opposite failed to deliver; fast-tracked the DFVP; and delivered grassroots Safe Futures Grants. We are putting victims first. We will continue to work with the sector and work with victim-survivors in an effort to combat domestic and family violence.

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