

Question on Notice

No. 132

Asked on 5 March 2024

MR A POWELL ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS AND MINISTER FOR DIGITAL SERVICES (HON B MELLISH)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister provide an updated timeline for the signing of a contract, commencement and completion of works on the North Coast Rail Duplication project between Beerburrum and Beerwah?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Glass House for the question.

Works are progressing well on Stage 1 of the Beerburrum to Nambour (B2N) Rail upgrade with preconstruction and design works currently underway for the main construction works. These works will include duplication of the North Coast Line between Beerburrum and Beerwah, address level crossings on the alignment, expand the park 'n' ride facility in Beerburrum and undertake associated road works.

Early works included building new park 'n' ride facilities at Landsborough and Nambour (300 car park spaces at Landsborough and 50 car park spaces at Nambour) and a new bus interchange at Landsborough station, and were completed in August 2023.

A section of Steve Irwin Way has also been realigned near Glass House Mountains to make way for the duplicated rail line. It is expected that the contract for the major construction works will be entered into in mid to late 2024, subject to finalisation of contractual arrangements with the preferred contractor.

Detailed design for B2N Stage 1 is expected to be completed in 2024. Staging of construction works will follow. Construction is expected to be completed in 2027, weather and construction conditions permitting.