

**Question on Notice
No. 656
Asked on 19 April 2007**

MRS CUNNINGHAM asked the Minister for Police and Corrective Services Ms SPENCE-

QUESTION:

With reference to allegations that on 31 October 2005 or 1 November 2005 vandalism occurred on the Gladstone rail network including damage to a pentagraph (power receptor) and lines being brought down—

Will she advise what investigations were undertaken by police and what conclusions were made including charges (if laid)?

ANSWER:

On 24 November 2005 a representative of Queensland Rail attended the Gladstone Police Station and reported the damage of 16 cantilever bottom insulators at Gladstone on 31 October 2005.

A complaint of wilful damage was recorded and a police investigation was commenced. Police investigators report that there are no obvious suspects for the vandalism as the offence location is easily accessible to pedestrians or by vehicle and there is no video footage of the crime scene. There are no known witnesses to the offence. Gladstone Police have conducted a number of patrols of the offence location and whilst the matter is currently unsolved any additional information which comes to light will be further investigated.