

Question on Notice

No. 1548

Asked on Wednesday 29 October 2008

MS JONES ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT, TRADE, EMPLOYMENT AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS (MR MICKEL) —

QUESTION:

Will he provide an update on the planned Alderley train station upgrade?

ANSWER:

The Queensland Government and the TransLink Transit Authority are committed to improving the safety and accessibility of all rail stations within the TransLink network.

The upgrade of Alderley Railway Station will include a new overhead footbridge to connect both sides of the station with lift and stair access, refurbishment of the station building and waiting areas, accessible toilets and ticket window, audio and visual train information, improved lighting and Closed Circuit Television coverage, and new platform facilities. It will also include the raising of both platforms over approximately half their lengths to be level with the train carriage floor, enabling level access to the train for people with disabilities and other passengers that have difficulty stepping onto a carriage.

\$2.3 million has already been invested during 2008 as part of TransLink's Rail Station Upgrade Program (Disability Access) to complete the detailed design for the Alderley Railway Station upgrade and to undertake some preliminary site works. This work is now complete.

Funding is being sought by the TransLink Transit Authority to complete the upgrade during 2009/10 financial year, estimated to cost up to \$13 million.