

Question on Notice

No. 866

Asked on Thursday, 21 November 2013

MR GULLEY asked the Minister for Transport and Main Roads (MR EMERSON)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise how many car parks had been allocated to the Moreton Bay Rail Link project under the previous government compared to how many car parks will be made available under the Newman Government and why?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Murrumba for the question.

The Moreton Bay Rail Link project will deliver a 12.6km dual-track passenger rail line between Petrie and Kippa-Ring, including six new stations at Kallangur, Murrumba Downs, Mango Hill, Kinsellas Road (Mango Hill East), Rothwell and Kippa-Ring.

Under the previous government, 1900 car parking spaces were proposed at opening.

This government identified a need to increase the car parks at key stations in recognition that the Moreton Bay Region is the third largest growth area in Australia.

Following strong representations from the State Members for Kallangur, Pine Rivers and Murrumba 2850 car parks will now be delivered. This will see an increase of car parking by 50%.

This increase in parking is great news for users and is a demonstration of the Newman Government's commitment to better planning and better infrastructure.

Construction on this major infrastructure project has commenced and the line is expected to be operational in 2016.