

Question on Notice

No. 584

Asked on Thursday, 7 August 2014

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

QUESTION:

With reference to a letter to the editor in a local Bribie Island paper dated 13 June 2014, where the LNP Member for Pumicestone stated 'I am pleased to say that the feasibility study has been completed on the bridge'— Will the Minister advise

- (a) the date that Transport and Main Roads commenced the Bribie Island bridge feasibility study,
- (b) the date that the department completed the study,
- (c) the cost of the study,
- (d) a summary of the results of the study and
- (e) the date the Minister will release the study and its findings to the public?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Mackay for the question.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads completed concept planning for the replacement of the existing Bribie Island Bridge in 2013. The cost to undertake the concept planning was approximately \$205 000. The objective of the planning was to identify a concept design for a replacement bridge. The key factors considered when comparing alignment options were constructability, the length of the crossing and the need to connect with the existing road network at both ends of the bridge.

The study is due to be released in late 2014.