

Question on Notice

No. 2213

Asked on Tuesday, 29 November 2016

MR WALKER asked the Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports and Minister for Energy, Biofuels and Water Supply (HON M BAILEY) —

QUESTION:

With reference to the congestion on the DTMR controlled intersection of Kessels Road and Logan Road, Upper Mt Gravatt, and the continued impact the DTMR-imposed peak-hours ban on right turns into Cremin Street is having on residents in the area—

Will the Minister commit to jointly funding the Player Street Connection project with Brisbane City Council?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Mansfield for the question.

The prohibition on right-hand turns into Cremin Street from Kessels Road at Upper Mount Gravatt at peak hours is a condition of the planning approval issued under the *Sustainable Planning Act 2009* for the development of twin residential unit towers and multi-story office space located at 1-5 Cremin Street, known as Skygarden. The signage prohibits right turns into Cremin Street between 7 am and 9 am and between 3 pm and 6 pm.

The condition imposed on the Skygarden planning approval was both relevant and reasonably required in respect of the development, given the intersection's location and road safety concerns relating to anticipated increased traffic volumes and queuing at the intersection.

The current restriction of movement is an interim solution to manage increased traffic on Cremin Street. The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) supports Brisbane City Council's (BCC) longer term solution being the extension of Player Street to connect to Macgregor Street at Kessels Road and the closure of Cremin Street. Player Street is a BCC owned and managed road and the proposed extension is a BCC project.

TMR is committed to working with BCC to facilitate construction of the Player Street extension.

The construction of such infrastructure can be directly supported by TMR through the Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme (TIDS) which is provided as an annual allocation on a matched funding basis to the Regional Roads and Transport Groups.