

Question on Notice

No. 996

Asked on Thursday 23 August 2018

MRS J STUCKEY ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (HON M BAILEY)—

QUESTION:

With reference to speed reductions in the Tallebudgera area—

Will the Minister advise (a) what findings in speed limit reviews caused Loman Lane south of the Pacific Motorway overpass on Tallebudgera Creek Road to have the speed limit reduced from 60km/h to 50km/h, (b) when speed limit reviews will be carried out for Tallebudgera Creek Road and Tallebudgera Connection Road and (c) what is required for a 'dusk to dawn' policy in Tallebudgera Valley?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Currumbin for the question.

- (a) A speed limit review of Tallebudgera Creek Road was undertaken in the 2017–18 financial year. The review found the crash rate was higher than average along the section between the intersection with Loman Lane and approximately 245 metres south of the Pacific Motorway overpass. There is also a large number of commercial outlets and residential dwellings with adjacent accesses in the area, as well as a pedestrian, zebra crossing which sees a large volume of pedestrians crossing the road due to the range of cafes, restaurants and other commercial outlets. Consequently, it was recommended that the speed limit on this section of Tallebudgera Creek Road be lowered from 60 km/h to 50 km/h. This recommendation was endorsed by the Gold Coast Speed Management Advisory Committee.
- (b) A speed limit review of Tallebudgera Connection Road is scheduled to be undertaken this financial year.
- (c) As advised in my responses to petitions 2850-17 and 2895-18, speed limits on state-controlled roads in Queensland are determined in accordance with the Department of Transport and Main Roads' (TMR) *Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices*. By following these guidelines, road users can be confident that speed limits are being set in a consistent manner across the state. As outlined in these guidelines, school speed zones are the only areas that can have a decreased speed limit between certain times.

I understand that the Member has previously been concerned about the impact of wildlife, however, in my responses it stated that a review of the recorded crash history of the entire length of Tallebudgera Connection Road, dating back to the beginning of 2011, indicated there have been no recorded crashes involving wildlife.

Accordingly, TMR has no plans to introduce a 'dusk to dawn' policy in Tallebudgera Valley.