Question on Notice

No. 1730

Asked on Wednesday 23 October 2019

MR S MINNIKIN ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (HON M BAILEY)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the Eastern Transitway project—

Will the Minister provide a breakdown of allocated funding for the project for 2020-21 to 2022-23 (reported separately by year)?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Chatsworth for the question.

The Palaszczuk Government has committed \$22 million—through the Passenger Transport Infrastructure Investment Program—for the Eastern Transitway project.

This \$22 million investment is the next step in providing a high-quality public transport corridor on Old Cleveland Road. The delivery of the Eastern Transitway—a 2017 Palaszczuk Government election commitment—will:

- improve bus travel times in peak periods
- improve service reliability for buses along the corridor
- support the increased use of public transport along the eastern corridor
- assist in managing congestion on Brisbane's eastern transport corridor.

As Old Cleveland Road is a Brisbane City Council (BCC)-controlled road, the Department of Transport and Main Roads is working closely with BCC during the design and delivery phases of this project. The Eastern Transitway will be delivered in stages, with construction estimated to commence in 2020, subject to BCC approvals.

Once all stages are complete, there is potential for up to seven minutes to be saved on inbound bus travel times in peak periods. This will be achieved by creating dedicated bus lanes on Old Cleveland Road, without the removal of any car lanes.

Project funding allocation is outlined below.

Financial Year	Allocation
Prior to 30 June 2019	\$1,033,000
2019–20	\$1,893,000
2020–21	\$6,230,000
2021–22	\$9,844,000
2022–23	\$3,000,000
Total funding	\$22,000,000