

Question on Notice

No. 26

Asked on Tuesday 12 February 2019

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

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise if the Translink route 637 public bus service is a hail and ride service (allowing passengers to board and alight the vehicle where it is safe to do so) or a 'bus stop' only service, where passengers may only board and alight at a designated Translink bus stop?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Nicklin for the question.

Following a review of the Nambour network in 2017, hail 'n' ride was approved on Sunbus route 637 at locations where there are limited, or no formal, bus stops.

All Sunbus drivers are trained to identify suitable hail 'n' ride locations where a bus has enough room to pull over safely and not interfere with passing traffic. Safe hail 'n' ride travel tips are advertised on the TransLink website and are communicated on board by drivers. It should be noted that passengers cannot hail 'n' ride within 400 metres of a formal bus stop, or on roads with speed limits greater than 60 kph. Drivers are also not able to pull over in a passing lane, on a corner, or on a roundabout.