Question on Notice No. 314 Asked on 26 March 2019

MR B MICKELBERG ASKED MINISTER FOR POLICE AND MINISTER FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON M RYAN)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise the number of days the Buderim police beat was manned and open to the public for the duration of the advertised hours between 8am and 4pm for (a) 2014-2015 to 2017-18 (reported separately by financial year) and (b) 1/7/2018-31/12/2018?

ANSWER:

I am advised by the Queensland Police Service (QPS) that the Buderim Police Beat is a single officer station that provides policing services, within a defined boundary, as part of the Maroochydore Police Division.

QPS advises that from 2014-15 to 2017-18 and 2018-19 to 31 December 2018, an officer was permanently appointed to the Buderim Police Beat. This officer responded to calls for service within the Maroochydore Police Division, including the Buderim Police Beat on a priority basis. Further, during times when the Beat was not manned, officers from the District responded to calls for service.

Further, the officer at Buderim Police beat is supported by police from across the Sunshine Coast Police District and has access to specialist police within the district, regional and central functions.

I am advised by QPS that to provide details of when the police beat was manned and open to the public, by financial year, would require an assessment of rosters for the mentioned periods and cross referencing of several digital systems and original paper rosters. The QPS estimates that this would take one person more than one week to complete and this is considered by the QPS to be an unjustifiable use of police resources.