

Question on Notice

No. 1217

Asked on 4 December 2020

MR D PEGG ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (HON M BAILEY)

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise if there has been any reduction in road accidents on Beaudesert Road between Granard Road and Illaweenah Street, since the speed limit was reduced in June 2020?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Stretton for the question.

As at 31 December 2020, preliminary crash data shows there were 276 lives lost on Queensland roads, 26 per cent higher than last year. We cannot accept these deaths as an inevitable cost of using the road.

Preliminary fatal crash data indicates that one fatality occurred along Beaudesert Road between Granard Road and Illaweenah Street between 1 July 2020 and 31 December 2020 compared with two fatalities over the previous three financial years.

A crash is a complex event involving multiple contributing circumstances which takes time to investigate and capture. For this reason, road crash casualty data is only complete for Queensland up to 30 June 2020 and, consequently, the data is not yet available for the period requested.

Nothing is more important than the safety of the people who travel on the State's vast road network, which is why the Department of Transport and Main Roads is committed to reducing the burden of road trauma on Queensland's communities.