

Question on Notice
No. 101
Asked on 25 February 2021

MR A PERRETT ASKED MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES (HON M RYAN)—

QUESTION:

With reference to policing levels in the Mary Valley -
Will the Minister advise when additional police personnel will be provided at Imbil police station?

ANSWER:

I am advised by the QPS that the Commissioner of Police has commenced a Service Delivery Redesign Project to look at demand and resource allocation and a review of the Wide Bay Burnett District, which includes the Mary Valley and Imbil localities, is currently scheduled to commence during the second half of 2021.

The allocation of police resources is determined by the Police Commissioner following a detailed assessment of area growth, community safety concerns and any new or emerging issues. The Police Commissioner makes this decision free of any political interference to ensure fair and equitable service is provided throughout the state.

This government has committed to an extra 2025 police personnel over five years from 1 July 2020. Of these, at least 150 will be located in the soon to be implemented North Coast Region, which includes the Mary Valley and Imbil localities.

These additional personnel will not only give the QPS an enhanced capability to investigate and respond to crime, but also to disrupt and prevent crime.

Under this government, there are more police in Queensland than ever before, working hard to keep the community safe.

I am advised by the QPS that there are currently more than 490 approved police positions, including central functions, in the Wide Bay Burnett Police District, which includes the Imbil Police Division.