

Question on Notice
No. 139
Asked on 9 March 2021

MRS L GERBER ASKED MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES (HON M RYAN)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister guarantee the Elanora Neighbourhood Police Beat will not be closed?

ANSWER:

I am advised by the Queensland Police Service (QPS) that there are no plans to close the Elanora Neighbourhood Police Beat.

This government is investing in an extra 2025 police personnel to be deployed across Queensland over five years from 1 July 2020. These additional police personnel will provide the QPS with an enhanced capability to disrupt, investigate and respond to crime.

I am advised at least 150 additional police officers will be based in the South Eastern Police Region, which includes the Gold Coast and Elanora.

This government has also committed to a \$300 million Police Infrastructure Pipeline for new and upgraded police facilities across Queensland.

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