## Question on Notice No. 996 Asked on 2 September 2021

## **MR O'CONNOR** ASKED MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES (HON M RYAN)—

## QUESTION:

Will the Minister provide all data to date from the metal-detecting wanding trial in the Surfers Paradise and Broadbeach Safe Night Precincts, including (a) the total number of hours of operation (reported by precinct), (b) the number of people searched, (c) the number of weapons found (reported by precinct), (d) any other offences uncovered and (e) whether any patterns of behaviour have been demonstrated through the trial?

## ANSWER:

I am informed by the Queensland Police Service (QPS) that as at 5 September 2021, the Surfers Paradise Safe Night Precinct (SNP) has so far operated under the required authorisations for a total of 478 hours since the trial commenced. The Broadbeach SNP has so far operated under the required authorisations for a total of 420 hours since the trial commenced.

The QPS advise that as at 5 September 2021, 1,361 people have been the subject of the trial and 44 weapons have been located with a greater number of weapons located in the Surfers Paradise SNP.

Other offences were also detected, including drug offences, property offences, bail breach offences and outstanding arrest warrants.

Any identified trends will be considered in an independent review and assessment of the trial.