Question on Notice No. 998 Asked on 2 September 2021

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

QUESTION:

With reference to sections 229BB and 229BC of the Criminal Code and a person's obligation to report an offence by telephoning Policelink— Will the Minister advise whether an email address or link will be made available for members of the public to report information to the police?

ANSWER:

In relation to these offences (along with other sexual offences) the Queensland Police Service (QPS) has strongly advised that reports to police are made as soon as possible to ensure an immediate assessment of the risk of harm to any child is conducted and an appropriate police response provided.

In this regard, the clear advice of the QPS is that any report should be made to the QPS by calling Policelink on 131 444 or Triple Zero (000) if the report relates to a life-threating situation, an emergency, or a crime happening right now.