

Question on Notice

No. 1451

Asked on 1 December 2022

DR C ROWAN ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (HON M BAILEY)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister provide information and clarity on the status of Federal funding to be delivered in collaboration with the Department of Transport and Main Roads for the Kenmore Roundabout Upgrade Project?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Moggill for the question.

The Queensland Government committed \$12.5 million, ensuring a total \$25 million funding commitment on a 50:50 (Queensland Government : Australian Government) basis, for the Kenmore Roundabout upgrade project. The aim of this project was to reduce traffic congestion and improve safety, and it was previously proposed that the roundabout be replaced with traffic lights.

In March and April 2021, the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) consulted with the community on this proposal and a high number of submissions were received. However, 94 per cent of consultation respondents did not support replacing the roundabout with traffic lights. TMR listened to the community and did not proceed with the proposal.

On 13 November 2022, I announced that the \$12.5 million of Queensland Government funding previously allocated to the Kenmore Roundabout upgrade project would be reallocated to undertake further active transport planning on Moggill Sub-Arterial Road.

TMR will use this funding to plan and deliver improved cycling infrastructure on Moggill Sub-Arterial Road. Any re-allocation of Australian Government funding will be done in consultation with the Australian Government.

The Palaszczuk Government is delivering its seventh record transport and roads infrastructure program in a row, as detailed in the *Queensland Transport and Roads Investment Program 2022–23 to 2025–26*, which outlines \$29.7 billion in investment over the next four years and is estimated to support an average of 25,200 direct jobs over the life of the program. Of this, \$3.858 billion is committed across the Department of Transport and Main Roads' Metropolitan Region, estimated to support an average of 3,280 direct jobs over the life of the program.