

Question on Notice

No. 429

Asked on 11 May 2022

MR M BOOTHMAN ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (HON M BAILEY)—

QUESTION:

With reference to Question on Notice No. 357 asked on 31 March 2022 and the Coomera Connector—

Will the Minister inform residents of any progress between the State Government and Gold Coast City Council relating to funding agreements, in particular funding arrangements for upgrades to Helensvale Road?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Theodore for the question.

The Member asked a similar question under Question on Notice 1093—for which I tabled a response on 15 October 2021—and again under Question on Notice 357—for which I tabled a response on 3 May 2022. The information contained in those responses remains current.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) continues to work with Gold Coast City Council (GCCC) in relation to the upgrade of Helensvale Road, in the immediate vicinity of the Coomera Connector interchange ramps. GCCC is responsible for any associated upgrade of Helensvale Road as part of its overall transport planning for the area, which is funded through developer contributions.

The Palaszczuk Government is delivering its sixth record transport and roads infrastructure program in a row, outlining \$27.5 billion in investment over the next four years and estimated to support an average of 24,000 direct jobs over the life of the program. Of this, \$4.806 billion is committed across TMR's South Coast Region, which is estimated to support an average of 4030 direct jobs over the life of the program.

Queensland's world-leading pandemic response has made it the place to be and, to support the State's population boom, significant road upgrades are being delivered as part of *Queensland's COVID-19 Economic Recovery Plan*. With the Brisbane 2032 Olympics and Paralympics on the horizon, these upgrades provide immediate economic benefits, support more jobs and deliver ongoing benefits of vital infrastructure for years to come.