Question on Notice

No. 961

Asked on 1 September 2022

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

QUESTION:

With reference to Cross River Rail and anticipated changes to the Cleveland line—

Will the Minister advise on the critical need to duplicate the line from Manly?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Oodgeroo for the question.

Once operational, Cross River Rail will deliver reliability improvements for Cleveland line services by removing the existing conflict between Cleveland and Gold Coast/Beenleigh line trains at Park Road junction.

The Palaszczuk Government is investing at record levels to deliver better rail services in South East Queensland (SEQ), including investment in new trains, tracks, signalling and stabling.

The government's blueprint for the SEQ passenger rail network and investment priorities are outlined in the recently released SEQ Rail Connect. SEQ Rail Connect is underpinned by \$6 billion over four years for delivery of its priorities, including \$1.7 million in planning to improve reliability on the Cleveland line. Consideration of any additional track capacity will depend on improvements recommended by this planning exercise and priorities across the network.