

Question on Notice

No. 1407

Asked on 14 November 2023

MR D CRISAFULLI ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS AND MINISTER FOR DIGITAL SERVICES (HON M BAILEY)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the government's commitment to undertake a trial of Phone Awareness Monitor (PAM) signs in the first half of 2023—

Will the Minister advise (a) the date that the trial commenced, (b) the number of PAM signs that have been rolled out and (c) if the trial has now concluded and if so, the results of the trial?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Broadwater for the question.

- (a) The Phone Awareness Monitor (PAM) trial is a non-enforcement road safety solution that targets driver distraction. It involves camera technology that detects unsafe, illegal mobile phone use coupled with signs that display a message in real time to prompt a driver to put their phone down. The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) is currently working with several key partners from universities and industry to deliver the PAM trial across two phases. Phase One of the PAM trial commenced in the first half of 2023 and was led by the Queensland University of Technology's Centre for Accident Research and Road Safety - Queensland (CARRS-Q). Phase Two is anticipated in the first half of 2024 and will consist of a three-month testing and evaluation period.
- (b) The technology will be installed and tested on Queensland roads across four sites.
- (c) The trial has not yet concluded.