

Question on Notice
No. 1419
Asked on 14 November 2023

MR T WATTS ASKED MINISTER FOR EDUCATION, MINISTER FOR INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS AND MINISTER FOR RACING (HON G GRACE)

QUESTION:

With reference to state schools in the Toowoomba North Electorate—

Will the Minister advise, since 2015-16 (reported separately by year and by Queensland Education facility) (a) how much money has been spent on building new or upgrading school car parking facilities and (b) how much money has been spent on school road safety programs through the 'Safe school travel (SafeST)'?

ANSWER:

From 1 July 2015 to 31 October 2023, a total of \$697,402¹ (excluding GST) has been spent on building or upgrading car parking facilities at educational facilities. This expenditure includes:

2015–16: No car parking projects were delivered in the Toowoomba North Electorate in this financial year.

2016–17:

- Highfields State Secondary College: \$5000 (excluding GST) for car park signage and line marking; and
- Kath Dickson Education and Care Centre: \$6837 (excluding GST) for car park lighting;

2017–18:

- Highfields State School: \$1695 (excluding GST) for extension to disabled car parks.

2018–19:

- Highfields State School: \$5531 (excluding GST) for modifications to disabled car parks.

2020–21: No car parking projects were delivered in the Toowoomba North Electorate in this financial year.

2021–22: No car parking projects were delivered in the Toowoomba North Electorate in this financial year.

2022–23:

- Rockville State School: \$287,450 (excluding GST) for car park upgrades.

From 2022–23 to 2023–24 (as at 31 October 2023):

- Fairview Heights State School: \$41,856 (excluding GST) for the provision of a bitumen car park; and
- Wilsonton State School: \$349,034 (excluding GST) for the provision of a bitumen car park.

Note: ¹ This represents those projects delivered that specifically referenced car parking facilities. This list does not include expenditure where new or upgraded car parking facilities were delivered as a part of a broader program of works (including but not limited to: new schools, learning spaces, school halls or other educational facilities).

As part (b) of the question falls within the portfolio responsibilities of the Minister for Transport and Main Roads and Minister for Digital Services, the Member may wish to raise this with the Minister.