

Question on Notice

No. 220

Asked on 16 March 2023

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

QUESTION:

With reference to the Federal/Council funded roadworks currently underway to help alleviate heavy traffic congestion along Panorama Drive, Thornlands and Wellington Street, Cleveland—

Will the Minister advise in relation to a much-needed safety upgrade of the Shore and Wellington Streets roundabout to complement these works?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Oodgeroo for the question.

The Panorama Drive to South Street project in Thornlands will duplicate Panorama Drive, between Boundary Road and the Wellington Street intersection, and duplicate Wellington Street between the Panorama Drive intersection and South Street, including intersection upgrades and provision of active transport paths.

As these are local roads under Redland City Council (RCC) jurisdiction, RCC is solely responsible for the upgrade. The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) has entered into an arrangement with RCC to distribute the Australian Government funding. The Queensland Government is providing \$465,000, through the Cycle Network Local Government Grants Program, for a shared path to also be delivered by RCC as part of its project.

TMR advises that, in 2015, a planning study was undertaken to investigate upgrading the intersection of Shore Street West and Wellington Street, Cleveland. The study found that the roundabout was adequate, with no particular safety issues. Current crash history recorded at this location supports TMR's recommendation not to upgrade to a signalised intersection.

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 TMR's Metropolitan Region/District, estimated to support an average of 3280 direct jobs over the life of the program.