## Question on Notice No. 535 Asked on 10 May 2023

MS F SIMPSON ASKED MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES (HON M RYAN)—

## QUESTION:

Will the Minister provide the separate measures of FTE sworn officer and FTE Minimum Obligatory Human Resources Information (MOHRI sworn officer numbers for Nambour, Maroochydore and Coolum police stations (recorded each month by the QPS), (reported separately by month for July 2015, December 2022, January 2023, February 2023, March 2023) and the separate measure of approved permanent positions as of 31 March 2023?

## ANSWER:

This Government has committed to the biggest boost to policing in Queensland in three decades. The record \$3 billion plus police budget supports the rollout of an additional 2,025 police personnel, including 1,450 police officers over five years.

The allocation of police resources is a matter for the Commissioner of Police based on operational policing demand and direct service delivery requirements to ensure a fair and equitable service is provided throughout the State. I am advised these requirements can change as new policing issues emerge.

There are over 560 approved police positions in the Sunshine Coast Police District, an increase of more than 30 police positions since 2015, as at 31 March 2023.

I am advised by the Queensland Police Service (QPS) that as at 31 March 2023 the approved permanent positions across the Coolum, Maroochydore and Nambour Police Divisions was 149.

I am further advised by the QPS that across the Coolum, Nambour and Maroochydore Police Divisions, as at 31 July 2015, the substantive headcount was 156 which was above the approved strength for these police divisions.

As at 31 December 2022, the substantive headcount across the Coolum, Maroochydore and Nambour Divisions was 153 which was above the approved strength for these police divisions.

As at 31 January 2023, the substantive headcount across the Coolum, Maroochydore and Nambour Divisions was 152, which was above the approved strength for these police divisions.

As at 28 February 2023, the substantive headcount across the Coolum, Maroochydore and Nambour Divisions was 150 which was above the approved strength for these police divisions.

As at 31 March 2023, the substantive headcount across the Coolum, Maroochydore and Nambour Divisions was 148 which is one below the approved strength for these divisions, however I am advised that the QPS are recruiting against this vacancy as a matter of priority.

The member should also note that these numbers do not include police allocated to other divisional, district and central policing functions who work across the Sunshine Coast Police District. I am advised by the QPS that the changes in headcount across these three divisions is due to a number of factors, including the re-allocation of resources to other divisions within the Sunshine Coast Police District.

The MOHRI (Minimum Obligatory Human Resources Information) data is publicly reported by the Public Service Commission.