Question on Notice

No. 746

Asked on 13 June 2023

MS F SIMPSON ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS AND MINISTER FOR DIGITIAL SERVICES (HON M BAILEY)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the Minister's promise to the Sunshine Coast community to maintain the \$6.7m funding in the original 2019–2022 QTRIP for the Maroochydore to Mooloolaba Cycleway Project (M2M) when agreeing to a redesign based on public feedback and the Minister's promise in answer to Question On Notice No. 995 of 2022 that the re-design would be finished in the 'coming months'—

Will the Minister advise (a) how much the revised plan will cost, (b) when this project's funds will be restored to QTRIP and (c) when will this project to improve cyclist and pedestrian safety be completed?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Maroochydore for the question.

The Queensland Government remains committed to partnering with Sunshine Coast Council to deliver the Mooloolaba to Maroochydore cycleway (M2M). This project will provide a safe, separated bike lane connecting Mooloolaba to Maroochydore, forming part of the region's Principal Cycle Network.

The Queensland Government committed \$1.5 million in the Queensland Transport and Roads Investment Program (QTRIP) 2020–21 to 2023–24 to progress the detailed design for Stage 6 of the M2M. An additional \$550,000 has been allocated to the project to finalise the detailed design in line with the community-focused planning layout.

- (a) The latest release of QTRIP 2023–24 to 2026–27 includes a total commitment of \$2.05 million for the detailed design of Stage 6 of the M2M.
- (b) In late August 2020, \$5.2 million was redirected from the M2M Stage 6 project towards the Beerburrum to Landsborough (Stage 1), Beerwah to Glass House, construct cycleway project, leaving \$1.5 million remaining in the project for redesign activities. The budget requirements for the project will be informed by the completion of design, and timing for construction will be considered when the full project budget is approved.
- (c) The budget requirements for the project will be informed by the completion of design, and timing for construction will be considered when the full project budget is approved.