

Question on Notice

No. 761

Asked on 13 June 2023

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

QUESTION:

With reference to the recent driver reviver closures across Queensland—

Will the Minister provide the cost-benefit analysis that the State Government relied upon to justify the decision to close Queensland's Driver Reviver sites?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Hinchinbrook for the question.

In 2020, TMR carried out a detailed health and safety assessment of its Driver Reviver infrastructure across the State. The assessment recommended the infrastructure be removed as it may present accessibility and safety issues for both travellers and volunteers. The safety of our volunteers, staff and the travelling public is always our first priority.

An initial assessment to rectify the infrastructure to meet health, safety and accessibility requirements and given dwindling patronage and volunteer support, ongoing investment was not considered cost-effective, so TMR made the decision to remove the unsafe infrastructure from rest areas.

It is important to note all rest areas will still remain open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year for motorists to stop and manage fatigue.