

Question on Notice

No. 149

Asked on 12 March 2025

MR J SULLIVAN ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (HON B MICKELBERG)—

QUESTION:

With reference to pedestrian safety upgrades on and around the Turner Road precinct in Kedron (Turner Road, Sommerset Road, Wayland St) delivered and budgeted by the previous government under the School Transport Infrastructure Program (STIP)—

Will the Minister advise when the budgeted upgrades will be delivered for the Padua, Mt Alvernia and St Anthony's community in Kedron?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for the question.

I reject the Member's assertion that the upgrades were "delivered and budgeted". While the budget allocation was made for these works, no delivery or construction works took place. The Crisafulli Government, in contrast, is focused on the actual delivery of the upgrades, and does not consider "budgeted" to be equivalent to "delivered" in the way that the Member suggests.

Our government will support the upgrades at these schools to be completed later this year during school holidays, subject to Brisbane City Council approvals and site access.

It is important to note that the funding allocation provided by the former ALP Government was insufficient to meet the needs of school communities, with all funding now exhausted. Regrettably, the former ALP Government failed to update schools in relation to this funding expiry, and as a result, a number of meritorious projects remain unfunded. Nevertheless, the Crisafulli Government will continue to work collaboratively with schools to find a longer-term solution.