

Question on Notice
No. 129
Asked on 3 March 2026

Mr S King asked Premier and Minister for Veterans (Hon. D Crisafulli)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the Queensland Government running community workshops and forums in Maryborough, Cairns and Mackay in respect of antisocial behaviour—

Will the Premier advise for each location (a) on what date the workshop was held, (b) how many people attended the workshop, (c) what key concerns were raised by attendees and (d) what actions, if any, the government has taken or plans to take in response to those concerns?

ANSWER:

- (a) The dates for each session are publicly available at the following links:
<https://statements.qld.gov.au/statements/103146>
<https://statements.qld.gov.au/statements/103500>
<https://statements.qld.gov.au/statements/103511>
<https://statements.qld.gov.au/statements/103581>
- (b) The two Maryborough sessions had 20 and 22 attendees respectively. There were 30 attendees in Cairns and 24 in Mackay.
- (c) These matters were outlined in the above media statements, as well as the ministerial statement that I made in the Legislative Assembly on 17 September 2025. Refer to pages 2785 and 2786 at the following link:
https://documents.parliament.qld.gov.au/events/han/2025/2025_09_17_WEEKLY.pdf
- (d) The Member may be aware that our government recently introduced into Parliament the *Expanding Adult Crime, Adult Time and Taking a Strong Stance on Drugs and Antisocial Behaviour Bill 2026*. This bill promotes community safety in designated business and community precincts, giving our police the tools they need to restore safety to our shopping centres, community hubs and business districts. This work is supported by an increase in high-visibility police patrols to enhance community safety and reassure local business owners and residents.

I note media reports have revealed the Opposition's unwillingness to provide unequivocal support for these legislative changes and that Labor members are "under pressure from the youth Left faction to oppose [the bill]" (source: <https://www.theaustralian.com.au/commentary/feeding-the-chooks/feared-union-leader-michael-ravbar-now-working-as-traffic-controller-inquiry-hears/news-story/4bc46105be41a288689526a75733a837>).

I also note recent media reports that indicate that the Leader of the Opposition has not committed to retaining 'Adult Crime, Adult Crime' laws, should Government in Queensland change in the future (source: <https://www.abc.net.au/news/2025-11-07/queensland-steven-miles-on-adult-crime-adult-time/105980264>).