



## Minister for Transport and Main Roads Minister for Digital Services

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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition 3987-23 and 3937-23, lodged with the Legislative Assembly on 14 November 2023, requesting 500 more car parks and bus connectivity at Hope Island train station.

The Cross River Rail Delivery Authority (the Delivery Authority) is delivering three new rail stations on the Gold Coast line at Pimpama, Hope Island and Merrimac, with Acciona Georgiou Joint Venture (AGJV) being awarded the contract to design and build Hope Island station.

The current design for Hope Island station includes 179 car parks. However, following community consultation—and in recognition of the strong community feedback to increase parking capacity at Hope Island—options to enable car parking expansion are being investigated to be delivered as part of a staged approach.

Hope Island station will also include integrated bus stops and active transport (cycle and pedestrian paths) throughout the station and connections into the surrounding network, making it easier for customers to complete their entire journey using public transport. In addition, Hope Island station will have an undercover lock-up bicycle storage facility for commuters taking active transport routes to the station when complete.

Urban buses will service the new Hope Island train station upon opening and will play an important role in providing the community with access to the Gold Coast Line. The final planning process to provide bus services to Hope Island will commence approximately 18 months prior to the opening of the new station. As part of this process, planners will use community information and feedback to ensure that proposed bus routes meet the needs of the community.

Early works are underway, including works within the rail corridor and site establishment activities. This includes geotechnical investigations and utility identification which will be used to further inform and refine the station design. Major work is planned to start in early 2024.

The Hope Island station will be located next to Mangrove Jack Park, off Hope Island Road and is scheduled to be open in time for the first Cross River Rail services to the Gold Coast.

The Delivery Authority recognises the importance of Mangrove Jack Park for the local community, and is working closely with AGJV to ensure impacts during construction are minimised where possible. An area of Mangrove Jack Park will be temporarily used for construction facilities and rehabilitated at the end of the project.

The community will be notified of the final design for construction when completed, and will be regularly updated about works on site as construction progresses.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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**MARK BAILEY MP**  
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