

29 November 2007

Department of **Main Roads**

Mr Andrew Cripps  
Member for Hinchinbrook  
Shadow Parliamentary Secretary to Shadow Minister for Mines and Energy  
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Dear Mr Cripps

**Mission Beach speed signage & heavy vehicle access to new development**

Thank you for your letter of 22 October 2007 about speed signage on the South Mission Beach Road and access to the new retail development at Wongaling Beach.

I can advise that the Department of Main Roads received the letter you refer to from the Mission Beach Community Association, and responded on 29 October 2007. I have attached a copy of this response for your information. Further to this, I can advise that new signage reflecting the 50km/hour and 60km/hour zones leaving Mission Beach has now been erected.

In regard to your concerns about heavy vehicles gaining access to the development from the Tully Mission Beach side of the development, whilst Main Roads does not support a temporary access as outlined in the attached letter, Main Roads has approved the design of a new intersection on the Tully Mission Beach Road with access by means of a roundabout. The roundabout must be completed prior to the commencement of supermarket trading.

I trust this information is of some assistance to you. If you require any further information, please contact me on 4720 7243.

Yours sincerely



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29 October 2007

Mr Allan Ogden  
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Dear Mr Ogden

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### **Mission Beach Area - Traffic Issues**

Thank you for your letter of 19 October 2007 about traffic issues in the Mission Beach area raised at the 9 October 2007 meeting of the Mission Beach Community Association.

Two issues are raised in your letter and I have answered each issue separately.

#### **South Mission Beach Rd – Speed signage.**

The comment that 60km/h speed limit signs have not been installed on South Mission Beach Road facing drivers leaving South Mission Beach is correct. Further investigation into this matter has resulted in the decision to install a 50km/h sign to face drivers entering the South Mission Beach Township just north of the Commodore St intersection. The 60km/h zone will remain unchanged north from this position.

#### **Tully Mission Beach Road – Retail Development**

The comments of the association relating to the access conditions Main Roads have placed on the development of the new Woolworths Shopping Centre are noted. Main Roads conditions of development stated that access between the state-controlled road and the development site would be prohibited until the new intersection, a roundabout, on Tully Mission Beach Road was completed.

The department considered it unreasonable for the developer to construct a temporary intersection that would have to be to a high standard, when suitable access could be gained via the local government network. The safety of motorists using the local government network should not be compromised providing all traffic, including construction traffic, obeys the road rules. If there is a particular concern the local Police should be advised.

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In respect to the timing of construction of the roundabout, relocation of services is underway and the detailed design is complete. Construction should commence prior to Christmas with completion approximately 12 – 16 weeks later, weather permitting.

If you have any further questions please call Mr Ben Robertson on 07 47207270 in relation to the speed limit and Ms Susie Marshall on 07 47207248 in relation to the development access.

Yours sincerely

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Hon Paul Lucas MP



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**13 DEC 2007**

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Dear Mr Ogden

I refer to your representations to the former Minister for Local Government, Planning and Sport, the Honourable Andrew Fraser MP about iconic places legislation. As you may be aware the Honourable Paul Lucas MP, is now the Deputy Premier and Minister for Infrastructure and Planning. The Deputy Premier has asked me to respond on his behalf.

In August 2007 the government made a commitment to prepare new legislation to give even greater protection to the State's recognised iconic places located in the areas of new regional councils. Since that time the government has been considering the scope and nature of the iconic places legislation. It is intended that it will apply to a limited number of areas in Queensland. The government wants to ensure the protection of outstanding natural and built environmental values in Queensland for future generations.

At this time it is anticipated that this proposed new legislation will be ready for introduction to parliament early next year. The purpose of the iconic places legislation will be to protect distinctive and unique Queensland places. Over the next few months we will be undertaking targeted consultation with councils and peak bodies.

I trust this information is of assistance to you. If you require any further information, please contact Ms Megan Bayntun, Acting Director – Policy and Legislation, Department of Infrastructure and Planning, on 3237 0999 who will be pleased to assist.

Yours sincerely

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