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FW: CORRESPONENCE FROM IAN WALKER MP - MEMBER FOR MANSFIELD

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Hi KC

Can we please get a noting brief on the below on an urgent turnaround please.

As per usual, could we please have the Doctrak number for our tracking purposes

Kind regards,

Dylan Southee

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Subject: CORRESPONENCE FROM IAN WALKER MP - MEMBER FOR MANSFIELD

Hi,

Can you please seek a noting brief about the "no right turn" at Cremin Street. Would appreciate a quick turnaround – will follow up with you early next week.

Regards,

Kate Griffiths

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Department of Transport and Main Roads Noting Brief MBN18994

To: Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports Minister for Energy, Biofuels and Water Supply

SUBJECT:

'No Right Turn' sign on Kessels Road at Cremin Street, Upper Mount Gravatt

Urgent

Urgent turnaround requested by Minister's office

Summary

- New signage was erected at the traffic lights at the intersection of Kessels Road and Cremin Street, Upper Mount Gravatt on 19 May 2016, prohibiting right turns into Cremin Street between 7am and 9am and between 3pm and 6pm. Traffic light signals were changed on 16 June 2016 enforcing the new prohibition. See Attachment 1 for a map showing the location of the intersection.
- Works at the intersection were a development condition of approval for a development on Cremin Street, and were undertaken by Bloomer Constructions (QLD) Pty Ltd (the contractor).
- The current restriction of movement is a temporary solution to manage increased traffic on Cremin Street resulting from high density developments in the vicinity. The long term solution involves the extension of Player Street to connect to Macgregor Street. The Player Street extension is a Brisbane City Council (BCC) project.
- Cremin Street is one of only two points of access to approximately 320 properties and the rear carpark for Upper Mount Gravatt State School (UMGSS). The contractor advised that key stakeholders and residents were notified of works and changes by two letter box drops on 1 May 2016 and 5 June 2016 (Attachments 2a and 2b).
- Mr Ian Walker MP, Member for Mansfield, wrote to constituents and you on 5 July 2016 about the new No Right Turn' provisions, stating they have had a negative impact on residents and UMGSS (Attachment 3).

Background

- The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) required the works at the intersection of Kessels Road and Cremin Street as a condition of approval for the 'Skygarden' development of a multi-story office and multi-unit dwelling (109 units) at 1-4 Cremin Street. The same condition had been applied to multiple development applications in the vicinity in response to increased traffic impacts on Cremin Street.
- The contractor was engaged by the developer to undertake the conditioned works.
 TMR liaised with the contractors as per the usual practice.

Action Officer: Endorsed by: Endorsed by: DDG Endorsed by: DG Penny Ford Amanda Yeates Miles Vass Neil Scales Deputy Director-General Acting Regional Director General Manager (Program Director-General (Metropolitan) Delivery and Operations) (Infrastructure Management and Delivery) Tel: 3066 4299 Tel: 3066 5498 Tel: 3066 7118 Date: 21/7 Date: 15 July 2016 Date: 19 July 2016 Date: Progressed under

The contractor confirmed that over 100 nearby properties were notified of the works and changes at the intersection of Kessels Road and Cremin Street by two letter box drops on 1 May 2016 and 5 June 2016. Key stakeholders including Mr Walker, BCC and the principal of UMGSS were provided the same notification by email prior to the letter box drops. The principal was invited to share the information with the school P&C and parents (Attachments 2a and 2b).

Issues and suggested approach

Community concerns

- Petition 2387-15 with 203 signatures was tabled in Parliament on 2 June 2015 requesting the removal of the condition on the development approval. You responded on 1 July 2015 and advised the condition imposed was both relevant and reasonably required, given the intersection's location and read safety concerns relating to anticipated increased traffic volumes and queuing at the intersection. You also noted the developer did not appeal the condition (PET14338 Attachment 4).
- Mr Walker wrote to you on 6 July 2015 about your response to the community petition and requested TMR reconsider the condition on development. You responded to Mr Walker on 26 August 2015 and advised the prohibition of the right turn movement during peak periods was required for safety and to prevent queuing onto Kessels Road. Your response also referred to the BCC planning scheme which identifies a future closure of Cremin Street and construction of a four-way intersection at Macgregor Street as a long term solution to local traffic issues (see MC82239 Attachments 5 and 6).
- At a meeting with TMR representatives on 23 June 2015, Mr Walker raised a number of community issues. He stated community members were concerned with the restriction of right turn movements, particularly in relation to access to the school during peak periods. A senior TMR representative at the meeting advised Mr Walker that TMR and BCC were in discussions regarding the long term solution of the Player Street extension.
- Mr Walker wrote you on Suly 2016 expressing concern with the prohibition of right turns into Cremin Street corring peak hours. His specific concerns included:
 - the small font of the signage was inadequate
 - some residents were not properly notified
 - the restriction creates a safety hazard
 - the time of the ban impacts parents accessing the school
 - the State Budget included no funding for the Player Street extension which would provide a long term solution to the problem.
- Mr Walker also delivered a copy of his letter of 5 July 2016 to constituents with a letter regarding the changed rule (Attachment 3).
- You received a complaint from Not Relevant a resident of Not Relevant on 7 July 2016 about the 'No Right Turn' provisions, stating Rele had not been informed of the changes regarding access to Cremin Street (MC91084 Attachment 7). The contractor has confirmed the property was included in the letter box drop of 5 June 2016 (Attachment 2b).

Impact of right turn bans

- Cremin Street is one of only two points of access to approximately 320 properties and the rear carpark of UMGSS. The other point of access is via the Tora Street bridge over the Pacific Motorway.
- In order to access Cremin Street from Kessels Road, vehicles are required to travel 560 metres to the intersection of Kessels Road and Springfield Street, where there is a dedicated U-turn lane and traffic light signals allowing for safe U-turn movements.
- There is a history of accidents at the intersection between vehicles continuing on Kessels Road and vehicles turning right into Cremin Street. Increased traffic volumes accessing Cremin Street as a result of developments would increase the likelihood of such accidents.
- There is limited queuing space in the existing right turn lane to access Cremin Street. Increased traffic volumes accessing Cremin Street during peak periods would result in traffic queuing back onto Kessels Road thus creating both a safety hazard and a restriction to peak period west to east traffic flow. There is also the potential for queuing to impact the intersection of Kessels Road and Logan Road, located approximately 100 metres to the east.

Long term solution - Player Street extension

- TMR has engaged with BCC about the long term solution to increased traffic volumes in the vicinity as a result of high density developments. BCC intends to extend Player Street to connect with Macgregor Street at Kessels Road, creating a four-way signalised intersection.
- TMR has approved BCC's Player Street extension proposal.
- The Player Street extension is a BCC project. BCC is responsible for funding and delivery. TMR is a stakeholder in this project and has contributed to planning as appropriate.

Financial Implications

- BCC has not formally requested a TMR contribution to this project.
- This project is an important step in the overall future upgrade of Logan Road and Kessels Road.
- If required, TMR could potentially contribute to this BCC project via the Transport Corridor Acquisition Fund for acquisition of properties impacted by the Player Street extension

Consultation with Stakeholders

N/A

Employment

N/A

Election Commitments

N/A

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Dear Resident

Upcoming roadworks on KESSELS ROAD AND CREMIN STREET, MT GRAVATT

BLOOMER CONSTRUCTIONS QLD PTY LTD, as engaged by TARACK FOLDINGS, will be starting roadworks in your area to comply with conditions of their development approval for the SKYGARDENS DEVELOPMENT.

Works will be carried out from 9th to 13th May 2016, weather and construction conditions permitting.

Works will generally occur DAY to DAY, between 9pm to 3am

Works will involve:

- Installation of the static signage on the two nominated poles and the program change to the controller
- Prior to the day of works TMR will be advised and co-ordinated such that the changes to their signal monitoring system (STREAMS) will be altered to incorporate the restriction to the right hand turn off Kessels Road into Cremin Street
- . The restriction would apply during the first morning "peak" from the day the change is initiated
- There should be very little disruption to road users during proposed works. There will likely be
 a local speed reduction to 40km/hr in each direction of Kessels Road whilst two lots of signage
 is installed
- Disruption on roadway expected to be approximately 1 hr total

All efforts will be made to minimise disruptions, as indicated above however some construction impacts including (eg. Noise reverseing beepers and lights) may be expected.

Motorists shouldnt experience any delays during the works

Your patience and cooperation is appreciated while these works are being carried out.

If you have any queries, concerns or require more information, please contact:

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Roadworks on KESSELS ROAD AND CREMIN STREET, MT GRAVATT

BLOOMER CONSTRUCTIONS QLD PTY LTD, as engaged by TARACK HOLDINGS, will be starting roadworks in your area to comply with conditions of their development approval for the SKYGARDENS DEVELOPMENT.

Works which included the installation of a "No Right Turn" signage was carried out on 19th May 2016

Future Works will involve:

- The Cremin Street and Kessels Road signals will be upgraded to prevent right turns into Cremin Street during morning peak 7am to 9am and afternoon peak 3pm to 6pm
- This upgrade will occur on 13th June. Once this happens, Transport and Main Roads advise
 that there is a westbound U-turn slot just before the Kessels /Springfield intersection. This will
 provide an alternative for right turn (during peak hours) into Cremin Street

All efforts will be made to minimise disruptions, while motorists get familiar with these restrictions which have included switching off the permanent red arrow during the peak periods on 19th May 2016, for motorists getting stuck in the right hand slot

Motorists may experience some delays during the transtition period and should factor in addititional travel time to their journey

Your patience and cooperation is appreciated during this transitional period

If you have any queries, concerns or require more information, please contact:

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Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports Minister for Energy and Water Supply

Our ref: PET 14338

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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to a petition number 2387-15 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Ian Walker MP, Member for Mansfield on 2 June 2015 about the prohibition of right-hand turns into Cremin Street from Kessels Road, Upper Mt Gravatt during morning and afternoon peak times.

The prohibition on right-hand turns into Cremin Street at peak hours is a condition of the planning approval issued under the *Sustainable Planning Act* 2009 (SPA) for the development of twin residential unit towers, with offices, located at "Scremin Street, Upper Mount Gravatt (known as "Skygarden").

As the Member has identified, the condition was imposed by the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR), which was triggered as a concurrence agency for the Skygarden development application.

The Skygarden development will result in 112 new residential units, as well as offices, located close to the intersection of Cremin Street and Kessels Road, with related increases to vehicle trips.

The intersection of Cremin Street/Kessels Road is a busy intersection, located within:

- 100 metres south west of the Logan Road/Kessels Road/Mount Gravatt Capalaba Road intersection (these are major arterial roads)
- 100 metres north east of the intersection of Kessels Road/MacGregor Street intersection, a significant intersection for traffic entering Garden City Shopping Centre, or using MacGregor Street as a bypass of signals on Logan Road. MacGregor Street is also the address of one of Brisbane's busiest bus depots and the access road to the South East Busway.

I am advised by TMR that the condition imposed on the Skygarden planning approval was both relevant and reasonably required in respect of the development, given the intersection's location and road safety concerns relating to anticipated increased traffic volumes and queuing at the intersection.

I note that the developer of Skygarden did not exercise its right to appeal the condition to the Planning and Environment Court, and I am not aware of any 'permissible change' application having been made under the SPA to seek to delete the condition.

As a planning and environment law specialist, and former Assistant Minister for Planning Reform, the Member would be well aware of these statutory processes, and that they are the appropriate avenue for changes to be sought to conditions of development approval.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

MARK BAILEY MP

Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports and

Minister for Energy and Water Supply



Ian WALKER MP



Member for Mansfield

5 July 2016

Not Relevant

Dear Not Relevant

'NO RIGHT TURN' SIGN ON KESSELS ROAD AT CREMIN STREET

As expected, the installation of the 'no right turn' sign on Kessels Road at Cremin Street has caused several problems for local residents.

Everyone except for the Labor Main Roads Minister Mark Bailey and his department could see this coming. This is why as a community we organised a petition with over 200 signatures to stop this new traffic condition **before** the signs were installed.

I have received a large amount of complaints from local residents about the new rule. I have compiled this feedback into the enclosed letter to Minister Bailey, asking him yet again to remove the no right turn signs.

The no right turn rule is at best a huge inconvenience for residents and at worst a dangerous situation and a car accident waiting to happen.

We need the signs removed as soon as possible and for the State Labor Government to work with Brisbane City Council to build the Player St Connection as an urgent priority.

Despite Council allocating \$11 million towards the project, there was no mention of it in the State Budget released last month.

I will keep residents informed with the details of any response I receive from the Labor Government to the enclosed letter.

Yours sincerely

lan Walker MP Member for Mansfield

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Ian Walker MP

Member for Mansfield



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5 July 2016

The Honourable Mark Bailey MP Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports Minister for Energy, Biofuels and Water Supply GPO Box 2644 BRISBANE QLD 4001

Dear Minister

I write on behalf of my 602 constituents and their families who reside in Bolger St, Cremin St, Hagen St, Hoad St, Larwood St, Meckiff St, Nagle St, Pickworth St, Player St, Rosewall St, Sarazen St, Sobers St and Von Nida St in Upper Mt Gravatt, as well as the Upper Mount Gravatt State School community.

You will recall from my previous contact with your office and the Department of Transport and Main Roads (DTMR) that local residents in the streets off Kessels Rd in Upper Mt Gravatt are greatly concerned about the installation of no right turn signs on Kessels Road at Cremin St.

A petition with over 200 signatures from locals against the proposal was tabled in the Parliament last year seeking your intervention.

With this change now in effect, residents' concerns have been borne out, and in some cases the impact is worse than expected. My office has been inundated with complaints from passionate residents who are sick and tired of not having their voice heard by the Government.

Residents' access to their properties has effectively been cut off.

Furthermore, the 'no right turn' signage that has been installed is grossly inadequate, with the timing of the ban written in small font and the signs not placed in a way which makes it clear to oncoming traffic that the turns are banned. Even worse, many residents did not receive any formal notification about the implementation of the no right turn until I wrote to residents after it became clear the necessary notification requirement were not met.

Given this lack of clarity, a situation has arisen where cars enter the right turn lane only to find that they are not able to turn right into Cremin Street. One of my constituents sums up the situation below:

"At present, once vehicles are in the "turn right lane" and the driver then sees the "no right turn" sign in front of them, there is nowhere to legally go. To endeavour to enter the outside lane of Kessels Rd as well as being an illegal manoeuvre no doubt could cause an accident."

Both my office staff and I have witnessed this situation on multiple occasions - there is an accident waiting to happen.

The timing of the right turn ban is also of concern. While afternoon peak hour is normally considered to be between 4pm and 6pm, this ban applies from 3pm to 6pm in the afternoon. Parents in the area who have to leave the estate to pick up their children at other schools have to make significant detours to complete their journey. There is also an issue for parents of students at Upper Mount Gravatt State School, who cannot turn into Cremin St after 3pm.

Minister, the community is deeply concerned by this change, as evidenced by the over 200 signatures on the last year's petition which was taken before the signs even went up. Your correspondence with me in relation to this issue has indicated that this measure is to be only temporary, as the Department of Transport and Main Roads is working with Brisbane City Council to deliver the Player St Connection, linking Player St to Macgregor St and removing the lights at Cremin St.

In the budget handed down by your Government last month there was no mention of completing this important project. This is despite Brisbane City Council pledging \$11 million over the next four years. Kessels Road is a state-controlled road and I would expect that your Government will commit to contributing its half share towards this project as a matter of priority.

Minister, on behalf of these residents, please remove the no right turn" signs. This community is sick and tired of being ignored by Government.

l look forward to your response.

ours sinterely

Ian Walker MP Member for Mansfield

Upper Mt Gravatt

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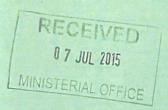
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Dear Minister

I am writing in relation to the 'no right turn' into Cremin Street, Upper Mt Gravatt during the hours				
of 7-9 am and 3-6 pm. Incidentally, Not Relevant I did not receive any notification				
that this was being imposed. It was a big surprise one day; while sitting at the red light waiting to				
turn, I looked up and saw the new sign! Too late to do anything other than turn.				
Not Relevant and, while the traffic on Kessels Road is often heavy, I had				
not previously experienced many problems entering Not Relevant				
The "no right turn" into Cremin Street during certain hours has inconvenienced me greatly, and I fail				
to see the reason for imposing this restriction on the residents of the area. I come home from work				
at 5.00/5.30pm and need to make that right turn from Kessels Road into Cremin Street. I have				
been doing this Monday to Friday Not Relevant				
All the sign has achieved is to force the people living in that estate to continue further down Kessels				
Road, through another four sets of traffic lights (which of course are invariably "red") down to Grout				
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My friend's child is a student at the opper lift diavati State School and for 5 years she has dropped				
him off and collected him from the school each day. The no right turn in both the morning and				
afternoon affects her greatly. Again, more traffic is forced to divert - this time, to avoid Cremin				
Street, most school drop offs and pick-ups occur on Logan Road. Logan Road is already busy enough.				
I ask "why"? What is the point of this restriction? It has not helped traffic flow at all in the area.				
Sometime around September 2015, the Kessels/Logan Road lights were "tweaked" and the traffic				
flow has been so much better since then. It seems as though the department had finally got it right.				
Until now.				
Does the Government have some kind of devious plan, to cut off access to our homes perhaps in the				
hope that we may sell? It appears that developers are keen to purchase land in the street. Have				
they perhaps got the Government on board? The unit complex at # 1 Cremin Street is not yet even				
finished. One can only wonder why such a stupid regulation has been imposed on the residents of				
Cremin and surrounding streets who use this intersection every single day to get to our homes.				
Please remove the sign. It has an enormous effect on the residents of the area and no effect on the				
other traffic. Perhaps you would like to visit the area and see it for yourself!				
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Ian WALKER MP Member for Mansfield



06 July 2015

Hon Mark Bailey MP Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports Minister for Energy and Water Supply GPO Box 2644 BRISBANE QLD 4001 0.7 JUL 2015

Dear Minister Mo

Cremin Street Restrictions

Thank you for the response to the petition of my constituents which was contained in your letter to the clerk of 1 July.

I note your comment that no permissible change request has been made by the developer, nor was the imposition of the condition appealed by the developer.

I understand that, and am also well aware of the mechanism to change a condition once imposed.

The appropriate steps to be taken to amend the condition, in my opinion, would be:

- for the Department of Transport and Main Roads (DTMR) to acknowledge that the original imposition of the condition created unintended negative consequences
- for DTMR to communicate that position to the developer and the Brisbane City Council, indicating that DTMR would not oppose the removal of the condition
- for the permissible change procedure to then be triggered.

It was this sort of process I had in mind - but this means DTMR needs to take the initiative referred to above.

It appears from your letter that such a move would be unlikely, but before I communicate with my constituents, and in case there has been any misunderstanding, could you please advise me of DTMR's position in respect of that suggested process?

Yours faithfully

Ian Walker MP

Member for Mansfield

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Dear Mr. Walker

Thank you for your letter of 6 July 2015 about Cremin Street, Upper Mount Gravatt, following my response to your constituents' petition on this issue.

In terms of the possible process identified in your letter, and in particular the approach you suggest be taken by the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR), firstly I understand that the permissible change request process established under the Sustainable Planning Act 2009 is intended to be developer driven.

I am advised that the process you propose is therefore out of step with the legislative regime.

Secondly, I am assured by TMR that the department's assessment undertaken through the development assessment process remains.

As identified in my response to the petition, MR maintains that the condition prohibiting right turns at peak hours that was imposed on the Skygarden planning approval is both relevant and reasonably required in respect of the development.

That is particularly the case given the intersection's location and road safety concerns relating to anticipated increased traffic volumes and queuing at the intersection.

However, my Department would of course give consideration to any request made by the developer of Skygarden to seek to either delete or amend the development approval condition.

I also note the need for the right hand turn prohibition imposed by TMR's condition is not anticipated to continue in perpetuity. As you have previously identified in correspondence to BCC, an alternative solution is planned. That is, the BCC planning scheme identifies an intention for Cremin Street to be closed and a four-way intersection constructed at MacGregor Street to better service the local community.

However, at this stage, BCC has not programmed funds to carry out those upgrade works, and as you would appreciate, it would not have been reasonable to impose the cost of this solution on the Skygarden developer.

I trust that this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

MARK BAILEY MP

Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports and

Minister for Energy and Water Supply



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5 August 2016

Not Relevant

Dear Not Relevant

I refer to your letter of 7 July 2016 to the Honourable Mark Bailey MP, Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports and Minister for Energy, Biofuels and Water Supply, about the 'No Right Turn' signs on Kessels Road at Cremin Street. The Minister has asked that I respond on his behalf.

Under Brisbane City Council's (BCC) Mount Gravatt Corridor Neighbourhood plan, the Mount Gravatt area will develop into a high censity residential and mixed use neighbourhood. This is evident by the construction of high rise buildings being constructed at 5 Cremin Street by Bloomer Constructions (QLD) Pty Ltd. More information about the Mount Gravatt Corridor Neighbourhood Plan can be found on the BCC website at www.brisbane.qld.gov.au and then click on (1) 'Planning and building' (2) 'Planning, guidelines and tools' (3) 'Neighbourhood Planning' (4) 'Neighbourhood plans and other local planning projects' (5) 'Neighbourhood Plans adopted in 2012' and (6) 'Mt Gravatt Corridor Neighbourhood Plan'.

With the increase of traffic caused by the 112 apartment development, the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) needed to adjust the traffic conditions accordingly to maintain the safe operation of Kessels Road and Logan Road. The best method to do this is to restrict right turn provements during peak periods. TMR requested this condition be imposed in the developer's approved application.

The manager of Bloomer Constructions (QLD) Pty Ltd has advised that a notification letter was delivered to your address on Sunday 5 June 2016, which advised that the works would prevent right turns into Cremin Street during morning peak from 7 am to 9 am and afternoon peak from 3 pm to 6 pm. The letter also advised there is a westbound U-turn slot just before the Kessels Road and Springfield Street intersection to provide an alternative for right turn during peak hours.

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TMR understands your frustrations, however, as safety is TMR's top priority, the removal of the right turn ban cannot be supported.

If you require further information, I encourage you to contact Mr Stephen Smaha, Principal Advisor (Development Control) by email at metropolitanregion@tmr.qld.gov.au or by telephone on 3066 5834.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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