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Dear [REDACTED]

I am writing in reference to your enquiry (CR [REDACTED]) regarding safety concerns on Reserve Street, Burleigh Heads.

Please be advised following investigation, Transport and Traffic officers have advised that Reserve Street is classified as a local collector road which forms part of the residential area. It is approximately 6m wide with a posted speed limit of 40km/h.

Recent traffic study revealed that a daily traffic volume of 5960 vehicles per day with 3% heavy vehicles (including buses) and an average speed of 42km/h travelling through Reserve Street.

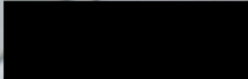
The recorded speeds and number of heavy vehicles are considered acceptable for Reserve Street and Tabilban Street. However non-local vehicles use Tabilban Street as a shorter route during peak period.

A review of 5 last years of available crash history from the Department of Transport and Main Roads crash database showed no crash on Reserve Street.

There are traffic calming treatments along Tabilban Street, Reserve Street and Ikkinia Road however, they are unable to install additional road humps in other locations along Tabilban Street or Reserve Street considering council's current Traffic Calming Policy which requires that adjacent residents agree to the installation of such treatment.

Also council no longer supports the installation of chicanes for traffic calming as this type of treatment must be designed to cater for large vehicles (such as waste management vehicles) and bicycles which can have little or no effect on slowing the average sized vehicle. Past experience has also indicated that some drivers treat these devices as a challenge resulting in an increase in undesirable behaviour.

You may consider arranging a petition requesting for traffic calming devices in Reserve Street, however in the majority of locations where we have identified the need for traffic calming devices, residents have strongly objected to a road hump in front of their property due to the noise issues associated with the device.



A signage and linemarking audit was undertaken on Tabilban Street and Reserve Street as part of the investigation. As a result a number of traffic signs will be upgraded, include speed limit signs. Also extra speed limit signs will be installed along Tabilban Street to increase driver awareness of the 40km/h speed limit. With respect to the linemarkings, no deficiency was found.

Furthermore, we have been advised by City Infrastructure that the missing guardrail on Reserve Street was not replaced due to the substandard length of the guardrail, which was not compliant with standards.

I hope this has addressed your concerns and please do not hesitate to contact me with any further Council related matters.

Yours sincerely

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