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STANDING COMMITTEE ON PLANNING, TRANSPORT, AND CITY SERVICES JO CLAY MLA (CHAIR), SUZANNE ORR MLA (DEPUTY CHAIR), MARK PARTON MLA

Inquiry into referred 2019–20 Annual and Financial Reports and Budget Estimates 2020-21 **ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE** 

## Asked by Nicole Lawder:

In relation to: Annual Report Page 39.

- 1. How many streets have had the "smiley face" signs installed?
- 2. How large will be the expansion of the project in 2020-21?
- 3. What is the method for deciding which residential streets partake in the trial?
- 4. There are a group of residents in Callaway Crescent, Gordon that have been desperately seeking traffic calming measures but have been continuously shunned. Could the smiley face signs be installed in Callaway Crescent?

## Chris Steel MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows: -

- 1. To date, Transport Canberra and City Services (TCCS) has Smiley Face sign footings installed on 23 residential streets. The six portable Smiley Face signs are rotated around these footings every 3 - 4 months.
- 2. In 2020-21 Roads ACT committed \$30,000 in addition to a \$20,000 grant provided by the ACT Road Safety Community Fund towards the expansion of this program. This enabled us to acquire 1 new sign and 6 additional footings. There is no funding for any further expansion this financial year.
- 3. The selection of residential streets is based on a combination of current traffic data and community concerns received to date. Streets identified as having high travelling speeds, high traffic volumes and with a high number of resident complaints are shortlisted and prioritised, and then site visits are undertaken to determine if appropriate physical locations for the signs can be found on the streets.
- 4. An assessment of traffic data on Callaway Crescent indicates it carries around 384 vehicles per day travelling at an average speed of about 46km/h (noting that the speed limit of the street is 50 km/h). As the traffic volumes and speeds are well within acceptable limits there are no immediate plans to install a Smiley Face sign on this street. TCCS will continue to monitor traffic conditions on Callaway Crescent and take action as necessary.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Planning, Transport, and City Services

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By the Minister for Transport and City Services, Chris Steel MLA