

Andrew Burke

From: Tourism
Sent: Friday, 12 July 2013 9:09 AM
To: Sch 4 - Personal information
Subject: RE: GC 600 funding

Thank you for your email to the Honourable Jann Stuckey, Minister of Tourism, Major Events, Small Business and the Commonwealth Games. We confirm receipt of your message and advise your correspondence will be actioned as is appropriate. We appreciate the time you have taken to contact Minister Stuckey.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, 11 July 2013 6:09 PM
To: Tourism
Subject: GC 600 funding

Dear Ms Stuckey

I am writing to you to plead with you to not make taxpayer funding available for the GC 600 beyond this year's event. The event is not returning a reasonable return on taxpayers' investment and it really does nothing to boost our image internationally despite claims to the contrary made by the organisers.

V8 Supercars are a very successful business and as such I feel strongly that us taxpayers should not be forced to subsidize this event just so they can add more profit to their bottom line.

I know I'm not alone in my views as I have talked to many residents on the Gold Coast and struggled to find a single one wanting the Queensland tax payers to continue funding this underperforming event.

We would be much better off spreading the funding out over a series of smaller events that would still draw a reasonable audience such as Cooly Rocks, the Takworth Country Music Festival and the events that have been so successful at Broadbeach such as the Blues and Jazz festival etc..

I understand you are under considerable pressure to commit our money to the V8s but I'm sure you would agree that right now, our priorities should be repairing our beaches.

Respectfully

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From: Tourism
Sent: Friday, 12 July 2013 9:08 AM
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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, 11 July 2013 8:33 PM
To: Tourism
Subject: Gold Coast 600 vs Beach Erosion

The Hon. Jann Stuckey, I write to suggest that money available for the Gold Coast 600 should be diverted to repair of Gold Coast beaches. To do otherwise, in my mind, borders on the foolish - especially from the point of supporting tourism on the Coast.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED] Sch 4 - Personal information
Sent: Thursday, 11 July 2013 12:07 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Beach erosion

To Jan Stuckey MP.
Minister for Tourism and
Ray Stevens MP.

As our representatives in State parliament, you hopefully can explain to us what is going on with our Gold Coast beaches. Every day we read in the national papers or hear on national television of the devastating impact of erosion on the Gold Coast. It is constantly reported that the Newman Government is not & will not be doing anything to help rectify this damage. Can you please explain to us why the state government will not help the Gold Coast City Council to overcome this problem? There is such a short window of opportunity to try to rectify this erosion during the Winter months, before Cyclone season starts again & yet there is constant buck passing between the 2 levels of government. The GCCC certainly needs extra assistance to get the restoration underway asap.

We would think that without healthy beaches, tourism is suffering and will continue to suffer even more as national and international visitors shun this as a holiday destination. Gold Coast business people have already been hit badly by the GFC and the market is depressed. This is another major impact that residents have to bear.

We have been [REDACTED] years. We have [REDACTED] We have a lot of trouble understanding how, after nearly 20 years of Labour administration under "Spin King Beattie", the Newman Government is poised to throw away all the opportunities we now have to build some genuine infrastructure because our elected public servants seem to be too absorbed in their own self interest to look to the bigger picture for future economic growth. With your generous pay rises to yourselves, it is ironic to say the least when you say you cannot afford to help out with one of Queensland's major industries. Surely the amount of money required to shore up our beaches is not that significant when you weigh it up against other expenditures you seem to so easily make when it concern your own personal livelihood..

You are heading for a shakeup in 18 month's time if you don't wake up out of your insulated stupor in George Street. Don't ever lose sight of the fact that you are public servants. Serve the taxpayer. We are simple hardworking people who've never been given a handout from anyone in our lives. We've had to work long and hard. Give us a break so we can get on with what we do best – employ people and pay numerous taxes like council rates, land tax, GST, income tax, company tax. We seem to support a lot of people here and, if you don't get this erosion fixed pretty damned quick, we'll be out of business and there'll be one less contributor to the slush fund.

Just explain to us why nothing seems to be said by the State Government on this matter except that you and Tom Tate don't get on. The Gold Coast beaches are more important than both of you guys.

Have a look at Noosa Beach. We went up there last week and it's business as usual up there. Sand is being pumped constantly to top up beaches. If this didn't happen guess what? No Noosa!

We hope you can shed some light on this confusing stand off by the State Government regarding this vital matter.

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From: Tourism
Sent: Tuesday, 16 July 2013 4:22 PM
To: Sch 4 - Personal information
Subject: Fixing the beaches

Good afternoon [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email to Minister Stuckey's Currumbin electorate office with regards to the Gold Coast beach erosion issue.

As this is a ministerial matter your concerns have been forwarded to our office for direct reply in due course.

Kind Regards,
Christien



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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, 15 July 2013 9:06 AM
To: Currumbin Electorate Office
Subject: Re: Fixing the beaches

its [REDACTED] main beach, but I'm writing to her in her role as state wide tourism minister not local politician.

Regards [REDACTED]

On 12/07/2013, at 10:53 AM, Currumbin Electorate Office wrote:

Good morning [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email to Ms Stuckey. For me to be able to log your request, could you please advise your current residential address? Thank you in anticipation for your response.

Kind regards

Sandra Campbell

Sandra Campbell / Electorate Officer
Jann Stuckey MP

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Original email sent Friday 6:24am

From: [REDACTED] Sch 4 - Personal information
Subject: tourism

Message Body:

Why aren't you being supportive of the gov fixing the beaches ?

Do you understand they are the backbone of Queensland tourism ?

It should be your No.1 urgent priority yet you seem blase, like it's no big deal.

Do you fully understand their importance to Tourism ?

Would really appreciate your answer.

Cheers [REDACTED]

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The Honourable David Crisafulli MP
Minister for Local Government, Community Recovery and Resilience
PO Box 15031
CITY EAST QLD 4002

Dear Minister,

As you are no doubt aware, recent weather conditions have had a significant impact on the state of Gold Coast beaches. This has resulted in ongoing negative media coverage, with the Gold Coast Bulletin initiating a daily campaign for the State Government to contribute financially to addressing the issue.

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However, immediate beach replenishment and restoration is just one aspect of the issue. Gold Coast beaches are regularly subject to erosion, most often during the summer cyclone season which generates high seas and extreme weather conditions.

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These suggested measures – such as artificial reefs – fall outside of the responsibility of my department. There have been calls by the Mayor of Gold Coast City Council in recent weeks for the State Government to assist in a joint exercise to consider long term solutions.

As this is going to be a recurring problem in coming years I am enquiring as to whether the State Government is able to examine the feasibility of structural works that could mitigate against damage caused by future extreme weather conditions and minimise potential impacts on these beaches.



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Kind regards,

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The Honourable Scott Emerson MP
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GPO Box 2644
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The Honourable Andrew Powell MP
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