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PUBLIC TRANSPORT CAPITAL WORK INITIATIVES

Planning Minister Simon Corbell has launched a series of capital work initiatives this year to boost public transport. These include:

- \$340,000 for improvements to bus stops to make passenger transport more attractive, accessible and comfortable. New seats and concrete pads would be installed at more than 100 bus stops, 10 new bus shelters built and six bus shelters relocated from areas no longer on a bus route.
- \$200,000 towards continuing a program of modifying bus stops and taxi ranks to ensure they are accessible for people with disabilities. This would provide forward design for, and construction of, bus stop modifications to meet Disability Transport Standards, and assessing taxi ranks for the construction of wheelchair access to hydraulic lift accessible taxis.
- \$150,000 to design and build bus bays on the north and south carriage ways of Ellenborough Street, North Lyneham to provide the residents of the 180 dwellings at "The Sanctuary" with access to more direct ACTION services travelling between Belconnen to the City and Dickson.

"These improvements are all a part of making public passenger transport more accessible, attractive and competitive than the car," Mr Corbell said.

Statement Ends.

