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Ms Anita Dow MP
Member for Braddon

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Dear Ms Dow

On 2 December 2025 you asked me the following constituent question in the House of Assembly:

My question is to the Minister for Infrastructure. Can you please provide an update for my constituent from Wynyard on the upgrades that the government proposes to do with the Frankford Highway with detailed timelines?

The upgrade of Frankford Road between Birralee Road to Stony Brook, Exeter is part of the Northern Road Package upgrades. The upgrades include works at the following locations:

- Batman Highway, east of Batman Bridge and the Batman Highway, west of the Batman Bridge, included shoulder widening, and the provision of a heavy vehicle rest area at Sidmouth (complete).
- Birralee Road, Roxford Avenue to Brushy Rivulet included shoulder widening, safety barrier installation and pavement strengthening (complete).
- Birralee Road, Brushy Rivulet to Frankford Road, design currently being completed with construction to commence in 2026.
- Frankford Road, Birralee Road to Stony Brook, Exeter, design is underway expected design completion is mid-2026. Construction of the upgrades on this section of Frankford Road will be prioritised subject to available funding following the completion of Birralee Road.

A second project is to deliver a curve realignment on Frankford Road near Beasley Road. The Department is realigning a sharp curve on Frankford Road, Frankford, approximately 500m east of Beasley Road to improve safety for all road users. Detailed design is underway with construction expected to commence mid-late 2026, subject to approvals.

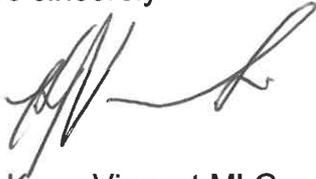
The safety upgrades will include road realignment and shoulder sealing, associated drainage and safety improvements and accommodation work for affected properties (such as fencing and access adjustments).

Road maintenance works are also planned for Frankford Road over the upcoming period, noting these are subject to available funding and broader priorities across the State Road Network. The following locations are planned for resurfacing works to be delivered by the end of February 2026.

- Frankford Road, between Turkey Farm Road and Birralelee Road, approximately 1.2km.
- Frankford Road, between Dolerite Road and Saxons Creek Road, approximately 1.7km.

Finally, pavement rehabilitation is currently planned to be delivered in the 2027-28 financial year between on Frankford Road, between Long Plains Road and West Tamar Highway over about 2.5km.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kerry Vincent', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Hon Kerry Vincent MLC
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport