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Dear Mr Vermey

Thank you for your constituency question asked in the House of Assembly on 13 August 2026 regarding the reporting of antisocial behaviour on buses and other incidents to Tasmania Police.

National work is currently underway through the Triple Zero Coordination Committee and the National Emergency Communications Working Group to examine an SMS-to-Triple Zero capability, with a Commonwealth-led pilot proposal still under consideration. Tasmania Police is monitoring these developments and will assess any future capability for implementation in Tasmania.

For incidents requiring an immediate police response, calling Triple Zero remains the most effective method. In non-urgent situations, members of the community can call 131 444 to request police assistance. In addition, Crime Stoppers continues to provide a mechanism for members of the public to report non-urgent information to police, and this can also be done anonymously.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Felix Ellis", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Hon Felix Ellis MP
Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Management

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