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BOOVAL STATION GETS AFTER DARK RAIL SAFETY SERVICE

Member for Ipswich Rachel Nolan today announced Booval Station is the latest Citytrain station to introduce a new safety initiative for rail passengers.

Ms Nolan said the After Dark program started at Booval station recently and had received positive feedback from local train travellers.

"Booval Station is one of 11 Citytrain stations that has been allocated extra staff to be used in the \$6.92 million After Dark program under Stage 4 of the Queensland Government-QR initiative," she said.

"QR staff assist passengers outside normal hours by escorting them to and from car parks, particularly late at night, and providing a highly visible security presence."

"The program is also operating at Dinmore and Goodna stations."

Ms Nolan said the Beattie Government/Queensland Rail initiative has proven popular throughout the Citytrain rail network.

"The introduction of After Dark means a QR staff member will now be at Booval station until 1am on Wednesday and Thursday and until 2am on Friday and Saturday when the last train service arrives," she said.

Transport Minister Paul Lucas said 32 stations throughout the Citytrain network will be part of the After Dark program now Stage 4 had been completed.

"We have received positive feedback that the initiative makes rail passengers feel safer when using the late night services, particularly at weekends," he said.

Stations that already provide After Dark services include Dutton Park, Morningside, Carseldine, Oxley, Indooroopilly, Auchenflower, Park Road, Enoggera, Ferny Grove, Burpengary, Toowong, Cleveland, Woodridge, Toombul, Albion, Bray Park, Birkdale, Mitchelton, Goodna, Sunnybank, South Bank, Loganlea, Darra, Milton, Banyo, Zillmere, Booval, Wynnum North, Fruitgrove, Salisbury, Boondall and Dinmore.