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Dear Ms Dow

Thank you for your constituent question asked in Parliament on 31 July on behalf of a constituent as follows:

*One of my constituents wrote to me recently about the condition of the new recently completed road surfaces between Wynyard and Circular Head. There are several potholes starting around where the Boat Harbour church is and continuing along that new stretch of road. My constituent advises the potholes cost one local commuter \$1800 for a new rim and tyre for their car. What is the government going to do to address this safety issue and fix the surface and the potholes on this new road?*

I have requested information from the Department of State Growth in response to this question and can advise that there are some minor defects in the road surface near Tollymore Road, Bass Highway which do not affect the safety of road users. These defects, including temporary patches, will be replaced over the summer period once it is warmer and more conducive to undertaking repair work. These works will be completed by the contractor at no cost to the Department.

Recent inspections of the above site have not identified any issues with the road that are consistent with the complaint raised. If your constituent provided greater specificity on the site of the reported potholes, I would be pleased to pass this on to the Department.

Yours sincerely

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**Deputy Premier**  
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