

PARKERVILLE CHILDREN'S HOME, FUNDING

835. Mr RIPPER to the Minister for Family and Children's Services:

- (1) Is the Minister aware of complaints about activities associated with young people staying at the Parkerville Children's Home in Pontiac Avenue, Cloverdale?
- (2) What funding does the Family and Children's Services Department give to the Pontiac Avenue operation?
- (3) Is funding advanced on the condition that the agency prevents problems for neighbours arising from the agency's operation?
- (4) If not, why not?
- (5) What action has the Department taken to ensure neighbours are not disturbed by residents of this agency?
- (6) If action has not been taken, why not?

Mrs van de KLASHORST replied:

- (1) Yes
- (2) \$383,874
- (3)-(4) No, Parkerville Children's Home receives funds to provide 6 medium to long term placements for children/young people aged 14 to 17 years. Children and young people are to receive quality care in a safe supportive environment, relationships with their families are maintained and strengthened, provided their safety and well being is not compromised, and the children and young people develop and maintain skills and relationships conducive to stable living arrangements in the community.
- (5) Family and Children's Services is aware that the service provider is working with the local council to resolve issues with neighbours.
- (6) Not applicable.