

PRISONS IN KIMBERLEY — WORK-READY TRAINING PROGRAMS

178. Hon Shelley Archer to the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Corrective Services

I refer to the programs currently offered to offenders across the State, including pre-apprenticeship training in bricklaying, hospitality, horticulture training, and the Pilbara Iron's Work Ready Program, and I ask —

- (1) What structured training programs are available to male and female offenders in the Broome Regional Prison?
- (2) Are structured training programs planned for the Wyndham Work Camp?
- (3) Does the Government have a strategy to reduce the likelihood of ex-prisoners re-offending in the Kimberley?

Hon SIMON O'BRIEN replied:

- (1) There are a number of structured training programs delivered by the Broome Regional Prison Education Centre. These training programs include nationally accredited vocational courses. Training packages are available to male and female offenders, and they include:
 - Certificate I in Building and Construction;
 - Certificate I in Hospitality;
 - Senior First Aid;
 - Construction and Safety Awareness Training — Blue Card;
 - Certificate I in General Education for Adults;
 - Certificate I in Gaining Access to Employment — Keep Your Culture Keep Your Job;
 - Certificate I in Horticulture;
 - Certificate I in Information Technology I and II;
 - Certificate I Asset Maintenance;
 - Certificate II in Visual Art and Contemporary Craft / Certificate II in Indigenous/Torres Strait Islander Cultural Art;
 - Certificate I in Music Industry
- (2) Currently, the following structured training programs are available at the existing Wyndham Work Camp:
 - Certificate I in Gaining Access To Employment;
 - Certificate I in Rural Operations- Fencing;
 - Certificate I and II in Building and Construction;
 - Certificate II in Automotive Vehicle Servicing.

The Education and Vocational Training Unit has carried out an analysis of the State Training Profile to assess and plan for future training programs at Wyndham Work Camp. Proposed future training programs for the work camp will be linked to labour market skills shortages for the Kimberley region and through consultation with the local Indigenous communities.
- (3) Yes.