

DENTAL CLINICS, JOONDALUP AND COOLBELLUP

1373. Dr Constable to the Minister for Health

- (1) Has work started on the new public dental clinics to be located in Joondalup and Coolbellup?
- (2) If yes, when is the work expected to be completed?
- (3) If no, when will construction of the new clinics begin and at what point in 2003 are the clinics expected to be opened?
- (4) How many patients will the new clinics be estimated to treat each year?
- (5) How much will each clinic cost to build?
- (6) What are the estimated operational costs of each clinic for 2003, 2004 and 2005?
- (7) How many full-time and part-time staff will be employed by each of the clinics?

Mr KUCERA replied:

1. The Department of Health has identified 2 suitable sites on the Joondalup Health Campus and preliminary negotiations have commenced with Mayne Finance as the Lessee to have a suitable area surrendered from the Head Lease for the proposed Joondalup Dental Clinic.  
  
In regards to the proposed south metropolitan public dental clinic, a suitable site had been identified at the Koorilla Primary School site in Coolbellup for the clinic, however the City of Cockburn have suggested a more accessible site adjoining their administrative offices, near the Phoenix Park Shopping Centre. Investigation of both options by the Department of Health is proceeding.
2. Both clinics are scheduled to be operational by late 2003.
3. Not applicable.
4. On the basis of current data available, approximately 5000 – 6000 patients per year.
5. The proposed budget for the south metropolitan clinic is \$1.5 million including land acquisition.  
The proposed budget for the Joondalup clinic is \$1.35 million.
6. 2003 – approximately \$1.5 million each.  
2004 - approximately \$1.6 million each.  
2005 - approximately \$1.65 million each.
7. Approximately 20 full-time, 4 part-time staff for each clinic.