

PRINGLE VILLAGE — KALGOORLIE–BOULDER

Statement by Minister for Lands

MR J.N. CAREY (Perth — Minister for Lands) [12.15 pm]: I rise to inform the house on the progress of the Kalgoorlie–Boulder aged-care accommodation Pringle Village. Pringle Village opened in 2019, supported by a \$9.8 million investment in state government funding, providing contemporary independent living in Kalgoorlie–Boulder. The village includes 49 units and helps to meet the high demand for independent living options in the region. Mid-last year, I announced that the state government was unlocking crown land for a major expansion of the facility. This expansion added an additional 15.6 hectares of crown land available at the site worth \$6.6 million.

I can now update the house that the McGowan government has amended the land-use purpose for the village precinct from “aged care” to now include “health and allied services”. Our government is committed to ensuring that regional WA has access to the services it needs. This move will allow for a wider range of community health services to be delivered from the site for the Kalgoorlie community. I congratulate Doug Daws, OAM, on his advocacy in this space, and I acknowledge the hardworking member for Kalgoorlie, Ali Kent, and the members representing Kalgoorlie in the other place, who I know are committed to seeing social housing delivered in their community and will be happy with the announcement made.

Local not-for-profit child health services provider Full Circle Therapies is proposing to sublease a portion of the reserve to expand its operations and support the delivery of a range of common-use facilities and allied health services for both seniors and children in the Kalgoorlie–Boulder area. The state government previously committed \$2.8 million towards Full Circle Therapies’ plans to build a new multipurpose health services facility at the site. The provider will now work with Goldfields Masonic Homes and the City of Kalgoorlie–Boulder to progress a formal proposal for the Pringle Village land. This is a great example of how our government is utilising our land assets to drive positive outcomes for the community in housing and service delivery. I look forward to the continued success of the site.