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ON-COUNTRY RESIDENTIAL FACILITY — KIMBERLEY

546. Hon Dr BRAD PETTITT to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Regional Development:

I refer to the Kimberley on-country residential facility.

- (1) Could the minister please table the business case that was developed for this facility; and, if not, why not?
- (2) Does the state government intend to proceed with plans to develop the Kimberley on-country residential facility?
- (3) If yes to (2), what is the new opening date for this facility?

Hon KYLE McGINN replied:

I thank the member for some notice of the question. The following answer has been provided to me by the Minister for Regional Development.

(1)–(3) The proponent KRED Enterprises prepared a preliminary program proposal that formed the basis of the cabinet submission for the Marlamanu on-country diversionary facility. The proponent, KRED, with assistance from the Kimberley Development Commission and other state government agencies, is currently in an intensive operational planning stage, which includes site planning, program design, policies and procedures and other operational components. This will form the basis for the business case, which is under development. Approval of this operational model and business case will be a precondition for disbursement of the full pilot funding. Noting the impact of the recent Kimberley floods, the parties are continuing to aim for commencement of the Marlamanu program as soon as possible.