

WALKAWAY PRIMARY SCHOOL - ABLUTION FACILITIES

6. Hon MURRAY CRIDDLE to the Minister for Local Government:

- (1) Is the minister aware that Walkaway Primary School has had temporary ablution facilities for a period of 14 years, creating an unhygienic environment and interrupting school activities, due to the odour problem?
- (2) If so, can the minister explain why permanent facilities have not been erected, especially given the budget surplus?
- (3) Will the minister commit to immediate funding to build permanent ablution facilities as soon as possible?

Hon LJILJANNA RAVLICH replied:

I thank the member for some notice for this question and provide the response on behalf of the Minister for Education and Training.

- (1) Yes, the Department of Housing and Works has advised that the odour problem resulted from a vent outlet discharging underneath a veranda roof. The outlet has now been raised and the odour should no longer be an issue. There are no known health concerns with the toilets.
- (2)-(3) The replacement of the prefabricated transportable toilets at Walkaway Primary School will be given every consideration for replacement once toilets at schools with high priority are either upgraded or replaced.