



Speech By Hon. Leeanne Enoch

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MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

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Hon. LM ENOCH (Algester—ALP) (Minister for Housing and Public Works and Minister for Science and Innovation) (2.20 pm): I can advise members that the property in Murray Street, Cairns where eight children tragically lost their lives late last year will be demolished in the first week of June. This announcement follows ongoing close consultation between government agencies, Cairns Regional Council and the Community Healing Project, which has been working on behalf of local residents and, of course, the families involved.

It has been important to ensure that all the stakeholders have been consulted at each stage of this very sensitive process. That has included making sure that there were no legal impediments, and I have been advised that those issues have now been resolved. The Community Healing Project has played an important role throughout what has been a difficult time for the local community. They will continue that consultation with families and the community as well as other stakeholders to help determine the future of the site.