




Speech By
Hon. Stirling Hinchliffe

MEMBER FOR SANDGATE

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MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

Local Government Elections, Pre-Polling

 **Hon. SJ HINCHLIFFE** (Sandgate—ALP) (Minister for Local Government, Minister for Racing and Minister for Multicultural Affairs) (10.51 am): In addition to my earlier statement, I wish to advise the House that the Electoral Commission of Queensland is encouraging electors who are more vulnerable to COVID-19, including Queenslanders aged 60 and over, to vote early, between 9 am and 11 am each day, at pre-polling centres. Additional ECQ staff will be available to provide support for vulnerable electors during the voting process. I can update the House that, as of this morning, further to the figure of 170,000 over the last two days of pre-polling, some 25,000 Queenslanders have voted.