




Speech By
Hon. Mark Ryan

MEMBER FOR MORAYFIELD

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Volunteer Marine Rescue Burdekin; Caboolture PCYC

 **Hon. MT RYAN** (Morayfield—ALP) (Minister for Police and Corrective Services and Minister for Fire and Emergency Services) (2.15 pm): I join the member for Burdekin in acknowledging the outstanding team at the Burdekin VMR. I do look forward to attending their 50th anniversary celebrations.

Mr Millar interjected.

Mr RYAN: I take that interjection because the Burdekin VMR are very supportive of the Blue Water Review and the work we have done. It is underway, and there is good support for the good work that is happening.

I want to talk about something that is closer to my electorate of Morayfield, which is the Caboolture PCYC. I want to read out a few words, as follows—

The need for a new facility for PCYC Caboolture has never been greater. That is why, last week, I started a petition urging locals to voice their support for a new PCYC in the community of Caboolture. One government alone cannot fund this whole project, so I'm imploring all levels of governments—the federal government, the state government and the local government—to get behind this project, which will cost around \$13 million. We must work together to make this new PCYC Caboolture facility possible so that we can create a cohesive and connected community for the community of Longman and for the families who live, work and play in our community. They deserve it.

The people of Caboolture certainly deserve this new PCYC. Those are the words from 2 December 2019 of the federal member for Longman, Terry Young. Terry is late to the party when it comes to this new project. The council is on board and has committed \$2.5 million. The state government is on board and has committed land as well as \$4 million. We are waiting for the federal government and the federal member for Longman, Terry Young, to show us the money. Where is the \$5 million to complete this project? In Terry's words, he said the people of Caboolture deserve it. Terry, where is the money? Show us the money this project needs to get underway. The state government is on board. The council is on board. We have got the land. We have got most of the money. We are even going through the design phase at the moment. PCYC Queensland is on board. Everyone is on board except Terry. Everyone is on board.

Terry, we have a federal election coming up. I imagine it will be top of the list of priorities for you when you are making election commitments to show us the \$5 million that we need to complete this project. It is an essential project for Caboolture. It is an essential project for the young people who call Caboolture home, and it will make an enormous difference to the good work the state government is already doing in the community around connecting young people to services to support them in making good decisions and keeping them out of the criminal justice system. I call on the federal government and the LNP member for Longman to honour your commitments, show us the money and deliver the \$5 million so we can build this new PCYC.