



Speech By  
**Hon. Stirling Hinchliffe**


**MEMBER FOR SANDGATE**

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## **ADJOURNMENT**

### **All About Living**

 **Hon. SJ HINCHLIFFE** (Sandgate—ALP) (Minister for Tourism Industry Development and Innovation and Minister for Sport) (6.18 pm): Most communities have them—and I know your community does, Mr Deputy Speaker, and certainly in Sandgate we have them—and that is quiet achievers who get on with their quest to help those in need without much applause or fanfare. In Sandgate, in the 4017 postcode, All About Living is one of those quiet achiever organisations—a highly respected and valued not-for-profit provider of support services to the elderly and disabled, particularly those living in our community without supports around them.

On a separate but aligned story, we had a great experience back in September 2017 when it was with pleasure that I announced the securing of \$6 million for a new state-of-the-art fire and rescue station at Bracken Ridge which was opened in August last year. That was to replace the Sandgate fire and rescue station, which was constructed in 1970 on the same site as the former station on Brighton Road. The reality is that this left that facility empty after serving our community so well for so long.

Back in 2017 the then—and now again—emergency services minister, Mark Ryan, agreed wholeheartedly with the proposition I put to him that the old Sandgate fire and rescue station should remain a community asset for the benefit of the whole community. I thank the member for Morayfield for putting in place the actions that recently saw All About Living named as the successful tenderer, among a strong field of community groups interested in taking over the old Sandgate fire station. This was a great result, with All About Living receiving this property freehold.

Congratulations to president Darryl McNamara and CEO David Worsnop who have wasted no time with their team in getting started on fitting out the building to support All About Living's important community nursing services work with the aged and those living with disabilities. All About Living also recently received almost \$91,000 under the most recent round of Skilling Queenslanders for Work for their Carers Consortium 4.5 project. Once trained, just about all of the trainees transfer to being staff members of All About Living and work in the community. It is a great example of the way in which the Palaszczuk government has acknowledged and supported our community organisations that do so much work particularly for the vulnerable in our communities.