Question on Notice No. 1350 Asked on Wednesday 1 November 2006

MS VAN LITSENBERG asked the Minister for Local Government, Planning and Sport (MR FRASER) –

QUESTION:

With reference to funding that was approved last year for the street scaping of the Margate Shopping Village and as the undergrounding of power is being currently undertaken—

Will he outline the timeline for the remainder of the street scaping?

ANSWER:

The State Government has committed \$2.5M from the Regional Centres Program to rejuvenate the Margate business district along Oxley Avenue.

The Regional Centres Program is an initiative of the Department of Local Government, Planning, Sport and Recreation intended to assist councils to provide infrastructure or facilities that deliver economic and/or social benefits that extend beyond a council's area to the surrounding region. Projects funded provide a vital addition to the life of the community and provide important infrastructure to enhance the community's well-being.

The current estimated cost of the proposed works is slightly over \$6M.

The project proposal includes two stages:

- Stage 1 Undergrounding of Power October 2006 to June 2007
- Stage 2 Street lighting, Road works and Landscaping March 2007 to August 2007

I am advised that design and construction works are progressing on schedule.