Question on Notice No. 443 Asked on Wednesday, 14 March 2007

MRS SULLLIVAN asked the Minister for Local Government, Planning and Sport (MR FRASER) —

QUESTION:

Will he provide a comprehensive list of all funds/grants/loans provided to the Caboolture Shire Council for roads/maintenance etc since 2001?

ANSWER:

The Beattie Government has committed over \$27 million to the Caboolture Shire Council for roads/maintenance, as well as construction of local government capital works, and grants since 2001. It must be noted that the Beattie Government provides a higher level of funding support to local governments than any other State Government in Australia.

The residents of Pumicestone, and indeed all areas that fall within the Caboolture Shire Council have benefited from a number of initiatives. These include local grants such as Landfill Remediation Assessment Program (LRAP), which focuses on assisting councils in identifying current and potential environmental harm and / or public health risk due to council owned or controlled closed landfill sites; and The Advanced Wastewater treatment Technologies Scheme (AWTT). This program encourages the introduction of new and innovative waste water treatment technologies.

Since 2001 there have been a number of other programs which have provided financial assistance to improve the facilities for community organisations. Some of these programs have included funding for the Upgrading of the Caboolture Swimming Pool, Deception Bay Library improvements, Caboolture Central Library improvement. Road and Drainage grants have been given to Caboolture Shire Council on a yearly basis to the tune of well over \$500,000 since 2001.

The Beattie Government is also proud to acknowledge the injection of funds and grants to the Caboolture Shire council for such important projects as:

- Natural Disaster Relief Arrangements
- New and upgraded public amenities
- Upgrading of the Beachmere Jetty
- Beachmere Tourist Facilities Improvement
- New and upgraded security for the suburb of Morayfield
- Q150 funding to assist in the creation of the Caboolture Centre Project.