

**Question on Notice**

**No. 606**

**Asked on 18 April 2007**

Mr Langbroek asked the Minister for Education and Training and Minister for the Arts (Mr Welford) —

**QUESTION:**

What are the plans for the derelict Surfers Paradise Pre-School in the grounds of Surfers Paradise State School?

**ANSWER:**

A number of off-site preschool sites, including the well-maintained preschool facility that is situated off the Surfers Paradise State School campus, have become surplus to departmental need as a result of the highly successful implementation of the Prep Year.

This facility is being maintained by QBuild and electronic security remains operational.

The *Queensland Early Years Strategy*, which aims to enhance services and support for young children (birth to eight years) and their families, has resulted in an assessment by the Department of Communities as to the re-use of some of these sites for early years' purposes.

The Government is currently considering the future of all its off-site preschools.

Facilities that are not required by a government agency, including local government authorities, are planned to be made available for public sale in 2007–2008.