

Question on Notice
No. 229
Asked on 27 February 2008

MR WELLINGTON asked the Premier (MS BLIGH) -

QUESTION:

With reference to the current State Government investigation of possible sites on the Sunshine Coast for hard-to-locate sports—

Will she provide an undertaking to the Suncoast Model Flyers Inc that it will not be required to vacate its current site at Quandra Road until an alternative long term home can be secured?

ANSWER:

The Sunshine Coast Land Use Identification Study was initiated by the Sunshine Coast Regional Organisations of Councils, a regional cooperative between the former Caloundra, Maroochy and Noosa councils. Despite the amalgamation of these Councils, the study will be completed as originally contracted. This study is due for completion in April 2008.

In December 2007, the project consultant for the Study met with representatives of the Suncoast Model Flyers Inc and has also received a formal submission from the organisation, advising of their land and facility needs.

The Sunshine Coast Regional Organisations of Councils Study is seeking to identify alternative sites for this and other organisations.

The land on which the Sunshine Coast Model Flyers currently leases is industrial zoned land owned by the Department of Infrastructure and Planning. While the organisation has recently been issued with a five year lease extension, the organisation has known for some time that this latest extension will be the last and that the organisation will need to find an alternative site.

Until the outcome of the Study is known in April 2008, the Government is not in a position to provide any further undertaking in respect of that organisation. The Minister for Police, Corrective Services and Sport, as the responsible Minister would be happy to assist answering any further questions you may have on this issue.