

Question on Notice
No. 595
Asked on Tuesday, 29 April 2008

MR KNUTH asked the Minister for Emergency Services (MR ROBERTS) -

QUESTION:

With reference to the 2007-2008 budget, which stated that the construction of a new ambulance station on the vacant land beside the current station in Clermont would commence with \$1.35m allocated –

Will the Minister advise the residents of Clermont of the commencement date for the building of this station and the proposed timetable for completion?

ANSWER:

The preliminary design for the replacement Clermont Ambulance station has been approved by Queensland Ambulance Service (QAS).

The total allocated budget for the project is \$1.4million.

It is planned to call tenders for construction in July 2008, and award a contract in September 2008.

Practical completion of this project should be achieved in the 2008-2009 financial year.

The timing of the project has involved consideration of the QAS Audit recommendation 5.1 which states “that QAS work with Queensland Health to facilitate the co-location of ambulance with Queensland Health facilities in rural and remote areas”. The Audit report was released on 16 December 2007. After investigation this recommendation was not supported for Clermont.