

Question on Notice
No. 1609
Asked on 28 October 2009

MR NICHOLLS asked the Deputy Premier and Minister for Health (MR LUCAS)-

QUESTION:

Is the Riverton Centre at Riverton Street, Clayfield to be sold by the government and, if not, will the Minister advise what Queensland Health proposes for the future use of the centre?

ANSWER:

I thank the Honourable Member for Clayfield for his question.

Planning for community health needs in the North Brisbane area has determined that the Riverton Centre is surplus to the requirements of Queensland Health. The Royal Children's Hospital Community Child Health Service, which previously operated from the Riverton Centre, has relocated to a new purpose built facility (the Ellen Barron Family Centre) on the grounds of The Prince Charles Hospital.

Based on the advice from the Royal Children's Hospital Community Health Service District that the Riverton Centre is surplus to requirements, this land will therefore be disposed in accordance with the Property Management Committee – Government Land Policy.

In line with this policy, no other State agency has expressed an interest in the property. Therefore Queensland Health is currently preparing for an Expression of Interest process to be undertaken in early 2010. It must be noted, for any Expression of Interest to be successful, it must be in accordance with the local planning scheme.

Any purchaser would take the risk of any further re-zoning. If the Honourable Member has any views that he would like to express on behalf of his constituents, I would be pleased to receive them.