

Question on Notice

No. 343

Asked on 23 March 2011

DR DOUGLAS ASKED THE TREASURER AND MINISTER FOR STATE DEVELOPMENT AND TRADE (MR FRASER)—

With reference to the Government's plan to close Gold Coast Parklands Showgrounds—

- (1) How and where will the Government relocate over 600 existing car parks on site at Parklands, which accommodate Griffith University students and staff?
- (2) Where does the Government plan to move the 300 community groups and businesses that currently use this site?

ANSWER:

- (1) Demand for car parking within the Gold Coast Health and Knowledge Precinct, which includes the Gold Coast University Hospital the Griffith University Campus and the Parklands site, will be catered for through the provision of new car parking spaces throughout the Precinct.

Construction is programmed to commence on the 2229 space Western car park in September 2011 and is due to be completed by December 2012 to align with the completion of the Gold Coast University Hospital. The Eastern car park adjoins the Parklands site and will be provided as demand dictates.

It is expected that Parklands based car parking will continue to be available until at least 2013.

- (2) The Government will work closely with Gold Coast City Council in providing advice, if requested, to users of Parklands regarding the availability of venues for their activities into the future.