

Question on Notice

No. 524

Asked on 7 August 2013

Mr Judge asked the Minister for Education, Training and Employment (Mr Langbroek) –

QUESTION:

With reference to the proposed closure of Nyanda State High School —
Will the Minister confirm whether the viability assessment is informed by Brisbane's draft new City Plan which illustrates major residential development and population growth in the school's catchment or has the Brisbane City Plan 2000 been relied upon?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for his question.

I am advised by my Department that the criteria set out in the Department of Education, Training and Employment's *School Viability Assessment* procedure - enrolments, accessibility, curriculum and resourcing equity, was used to identify Nyanda State High School for proposed closure. My Department's analysis focused particularly on historical enrolment trends and forecasts, as well as the school's proximity to alternative state schools.

While enrolment data was provided by the Government Statistician, which was based on planning under the Brisbane City Plan 2000, this was not the only measure that was taken into account.