Question on Notice

No. 460

Asked on 4 June 2014

MRS CUNNINGHAM asked the Minister for Local Government, Community Recovery and Resilience (MR CRISAFULLI) –

QUESTION:

Will the Minister outline flood recovery allocated to the Gladstone Electorate and clarify the status of expenditure since 2011?

ANSWER:

I thank the Honourable Member for Gladstone for her question.

The estimated cost of the Gladstone Regional Council's Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (NDRRA) program since 2011 from the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) is more than \$140 million:

- 2011 \$46 million
- 2012 \$13 million
- 2013 \$82 million

Included in this, the Council has had more than \$1.5 million approved for five projects under the \$80 million Betterment Fund. These projects, to improve resilience of the region's roads, have a total cost of more than \$6 million.

As reported to the QRA, the Council has completed its reconstruction program for 2011, is close to completing its 2012 reconstruction program, and is more than halfway towards repairing the damage from Ex Tropical Cyclone Oswald in 2013.

NDRRA is a joint Queensland and Australian Government partnership to assist affected communities recover from natural disasters, with funding of 25 per cent from the Queensland Government and up to 75 per cent from the Australian Government. The Betterment Fund is a Queensland Government initiative, jointly funded by the Queensland and Australian Governments.