

## **Question on Notice**

**No. 1791**

**Asked on 12 October 2016**

MR KRAUSE asked the Minister for Communities, Women and Youth, Minister for Child Safety and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence (HON S FENTIMAN)—

### **QUESTION**

Will the Minister guarantee the Beaudesert Child Safety Office will remain open and not have any reduction in the number of Child Safety Officers working in the Beaudesert region?

### **ANSWER**

On 8 October 2016, I announced 82 new permanent Child Safety workers, in addition to the 47 extra Child and Family services staff to be employed by the end of the year. The Beaudesert Child Safety Service Centre will receive an additional Child Safety Officer position from this most recent allocation.

The current lease of the Beaudesert CSSC expires in 2017 and options within the Beaudesert Region, including the relocation of the office to Jimboomba, which is also within the Beaudesert electorate, are being explored. The majority of families being supported by the Beaudesert CSSC are currently from Jimboomba. Before any decision is made, the Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services will assess the potential impacts of the relocation with key stakeholders.