

QUESTION ON NOTICE

No. 360

asked on 22 March 2018

MR D BROWN ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT AND SMALL BUSINESS AND MINISTER FOR TRAINING AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT (HON S FENTIMAN)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise on the involvement of TAFE Queensland in preparing for this year's Gold Coast Commonwealth Games?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Capalaba for his question.

TAFE Queensland is proudly the Official Training Partner for the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games (GC2018).

Anyone who attended games events witnessed first-hand the excellent work of the volunteers, underpinned by quality TAFE training.

TAFE Queensland's training of 15 000 volunteers for GC2018 included the following key elements: Train-the-Trainer; orientation training; role specific training; venue specific training; event leadership training; and the implementation of a Learning Management System (LMS) that acts as a standalone platform to deliver the online content to volunteers.

It is the first time in the history of the Commonwealth Games that all volunteers have had access to participate in a component of online learning, delivered in the form of a bespoke first-class interactive online product that is accessible on both mobile and online devices. Over 80 per cent of volunteers completed their training online, equating to more than 32 000 individual unit completions; and almost 11 000 volunteers completed face to face training at a TAFE Queensland Gold Coast campus.

TAFE Queensland has provided 15 000 volunteers with transferable skills and future opportunities to gain qualifications and employability, which will provide long-term benefits to Queensland employers and the community more broadly.

TAFE Queensland has been working with a number of industry partners and clients on business development opportunities connected to GC2018 since signing the Partnership Agreement in February 2016.

Just some of the great examples of GC2018 work which resulted in stronger industry engagement include:

- Salon XXI – designed and serviced by students and teachers;

- cookery and hospitality students working at the Commonwealth Games Village;
- screen and media students filming Festival 2018 as a legacy piece for City of Gold Coast;
- 70 pieces of cube furniture designed and constructed by students;
- music and art being showcased at Main Media Centre; and
- screen and media students working for NEP Host Broadcast during GC2018.

The legacy benefits for the volunteers includes being able to apply for Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) and gain credits towards further study at TAFE Queensland in courses including Business, Leadership and Management, Project Management, Event Management and Hospitality. The Legacy Project will open doors to a unique opportunity for selected volunteers to upskill, reskill and earn a qualification to boost their careers long into the future. The Palaszczuk Government is investing over \$1 million in TAFE Queensland's GC2018 Legacy Project and proud to make this available to around 300 volunteers. The RPL opportunity is now open to all volunteers. More information can be found at tafeqld.edu.au/volunteer.