

Question on Notice
No. 856
Asked on Friday, 15 June 2018

MRS J GILBERT ASKED MINISTER FOR HOUSING AND PUBLIC WORKS; MINISTER FOR DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY; MINISTER FOR SPORT (HON M DE BRENNI)

Will the Minister advise how the government's Building and Asset Services staff support the Mackay and Whitsunday region?

ANSWER

Building and Asset Services (BAS), a business unit of the Department of Housing and Public Works, partners with other government agencies to strategically manage their building, construction and maintenance activities.

The BAS Mackay region provides the following services:

- procurement and contract management;
- program and project management;
- construction management and delivery;
- disaster recovery and response;
- asbestos management; and
- social housing maintenance and upgrades.

BAS has 42 staff in the Mackay office, supporting the Mackay and Whitsunday regions.

Recent examples of BAS' contribution to the Mackay and Whitsunday regions have been the construction of three vital assets for these communities; the Mackay Fire Station, Proserpine Fire Station and Bowen Police Station. BAS Mackay staff were at the forefront of the procurement, project management and contract management of these projects.

BAS engaged local businesses for the delivery of the above listed projects, in line with the Palaszczuk Government's *Buy Queensland* procurement strategy, which came into effect for tenders from 1 September 2017.