Question on Notice No. 1219

Asked on 4 December 2020

DR A MACMAHON ASKED MINISTER FOR EDUCATION, MINISTER FOR INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS AND MINISTER FOR RACING (HON G GRACE)

QUESTION:

With reference to Labor's recent election funding commitments for East Brisbane State School including one additional classroom modular building, refurbishment of a space near the library into a classroom and funding for planning for new building, including designs and costings—

Will the Minister advise (a) if these election commitments are in the 2020-2021 Budget, (b) how much funding is allocated to each of these commitments, (c) the timeframe for delivery of these commitments and (d) what plans are being put in place for a more significant expansion of capacity at East Brisbane State School, given the fast growing population?

ANSWER:

In the recently released 2020–21 State Budget, funding is included within the 'General and minor works – Education' line item as follows:

An additional classroom modular building and refurbishment of the outdoor space near the
resource centre into a classroom – \$764,339 (excluding GST). The additional classroom
modular building is scheduled to be delivered in time for the start of the 2021 school year.
The refurbishment of the outdoor space near the resource centre into a classroom is
currently in the design phase. A definitive date is not yet available, but it is indicatively
forecast to be complete by mid-2021.

The Department of Education is continuing to plan and investigate options for the medium to long-term relief for East Brisbane State School and other schools in the primary school network.