

**Question on Notice**

**No. 191**

**Asked on 19 February 2020**

**MR J COSTIGAN** asked the Minister for Local Government, Minister for Racing and Minister for Multicultural Affairs (HON S HINCHLIFFE) –

**QUESTION:**

Will the Minister investigate reports that a new kitchen, costing about \$800,000 will be or has been removed from the Whitsunday Coast Airport, which was redeveloped again with the assistance of the State Government, because it is or was a ‘white elephant’?

**ANSWER:**

I thank the Member for Whitsunday for the question.

I am advised that the kitchen has not been removed and that the Whitsunday Regional Council will, in the near future, call for expressions of interest for a new food and beverage outlet to use the kitchen facilities in the Whitsunday Coast Airport terminal.

The Palaszczuk Government is proud of its \$15 million investment in the Whitsunday Coast Airport which has enabled the continued growth of the number of flights arriving, injecting much needed tourists and tourism dollars to the local Whitsunday community.