Question on Notice

No. 1317

Asked on 9 November 2022

MRS L GERBER ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (HON M BAILEY)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the Gold Coast Light Rail Tugun to Coolangatta concept design, and the allocation of land currently occupied by state facilities (including the Coolangatta Police Station, Magistrates Court, and Twin Towns Kindergarten)—

Will the Minister advise (a) what preliminary measures they are taking to secure land to replace these state facilities in the same vicinity and (b) what department will have development oversight of these facilities?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Currumbin for the question.

The Gold Coast Light Rail Stage 4 (GCLR4) is in the stage of preliminary business case planning, which is due for completion in mid-2023. During this stage, early discussions take place regarding potential property impacts to ensure timely advice and information sharing between the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) and the property owner, which includes determining future requirements.

Should there be a requirement for the land, TMR will continue to work closely with government landholders to suitably relocate the staff and services within the existing community, consistent with operational requirements.

TMR has spoken with the landowner and met with the management of the Twin Towns Kindergarten in Coolangatta to better understand the kindergarten's requirements and future business plans. TMR will continue to meet with the kindergarten management to support its appropriate and timely relocation within the Coolangatta community, should GCLR4 progress.