Question on Notice

No. 761

Asked on 16 August 2022

MR M BOOTHMAN asked the Minister for Children and Youth Justice and Minister for Multicultural Affairs (HON L LINARD)—

QUESTION

With reference to the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse—

Will the Minister advise what recommendations Queensland will implement and date of implementation?

ANSWER

The Queensland Government has made significant progress in implementing the recommendations from the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse (Royal Commission).

In Queensland, implementation of Royal Commission recommendations is informed by the Truth, Healing and Reconciliation Taskforce (the Taskforce). The insight from the members of the Taskforce with lived experience is particularly invaluable to this work.

The Royal Commission made 409 recommendations to prevent institutional child sexual abuse, protect children and support the healing of people with lived experience. Of these 409 recommendations, 317 are directed at the Queensland Government, either in full or in part.

The Queensland Government fourth annual progress report Royal Commission into Institutional Responses was tabled in the Legislative Assembly on 8 April 2022. As at 31 December 2021, the Queensland Government had completed 183 recommendations, with 134 in progress.

It is not possible to provide a list of expected delivery dates for in progress Royal Commission recommendations. Several recommendations are subject to further consideration by government and many require further consultation with the community. For example, the in progress recommendations include 11 recommendations relating to the implementation of Child Safe Standards and these are still being considered by government.