

Question on Notice

No. 884

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MR J LANGBROEK ASKED MINISTER FOR EDUCATION, MINISTER FOR INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS AND MINISTER FOR RACING (HON G GRACE)

QUESTION:

With reference to the \$43.2m for infrastructure renewal projects in 18 discrete Indigenous communities in this year's budget—

Will the Minister outline (a) a list of the schools that will receive funding, (b) a description of each proposed school project, (c) the value of each project and (d) the time frame for delivery of each project?

ANSWER:

The Palaszczuk Government is committed to ensuring all students, no matter where they live, have access to high-quality learning opportunities within their local communities.

\$43.2 million has been allocated over four years from 2022–23 for educational infrastructure projects in Queensland schools that service 18 discrete Indigenous communities.

The renewal program will focus on equity and provide infrastructure to support curriculum and educational outcomes for children located in Queensland's discrete Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

Community members will be invited to participate in a co-design process for investment in education infrastructure for their communities during the project planning stage.

Consultation will commence shortly in the following communities:

Aurukun	Lockhart River	Palm Island
Cherbourg	Mapoon	Pormpuraaw
Coen	Mornington Island	Torres Strait Islands
Doomadgee	Mossman Gorge	Woorabinda
Hope Vale	Napranum	Wujal Wujal
Kowanyama	Northern Peninsula Area	Yarrabah

The description, value and timeframe for delivery of each project will be determined once the projects have been co-designed with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in each community. Projects could include amenities blocks, playgrounds, outdoor learning spaces and classroom upgrades.