

Question on Notice

No. 690

Asked on Thursday, 25 May 2023

MR STEPHEN BENNETT MP, MEMBER FOR BURNETT ASKED THE MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES (HON M RYAN)

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise if there are plans to relocate the Coonarr Rural Fire Brigade Sheds from their current flood prone location to a more suitable site?

ANSWER:

I am advised by Queensland Fire and Emergency Services (QFES) that the Rural Fire Service (RFS) has been actively monitoring the land market since February 2021 for suitable alternative locations for the brigade.

Once a potential site is located, I am advised it will be subject to feasibility and due diligence work, which will include detailed consultation with the Brigade at the appropriate stage.

It is only possible to undertake work like this because of the successive record budgets delivered for the RFS, by the Palaszczuk Government.

This has culminated in this year's record \$101 million RFS budget, which includes funding for capital works, capital grants, and the purchase of suitable land holdings across the state for the RFS.