

Question on Notice
No. 906
Asked on 22 August 2023

MR B HEAD ASKED MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES (HON M RYAN)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the answer to Question on Notice No. 506 asked on the 9 May 2023 and answered on the 8 June 2023- Will the Minister provide (a) the planned maintenance list for police stations and establishments within the Callide Electorate that is regularly updated by the QPS Properties and Facilities Branch and (b) if not, why not?

ANSWER:

In relation to the member's question, I am advised by the Queensland Police Service (QPS) that the QPS manages maintenance of police stations and establishments on a statewide basis. Numerous factors impact on the completion of maintenance whereby priorities shift depending on the urgency of maintenance works required at any location across the State. Any information provided on maintenance works currently planned for completion in the Callide Electorate during 2023-24 would therefore be incomplete at any given time.

Maintenance works can range from external and internal painting, floor covering upgrades, kitchen upgrades, roof and guttering replacement and stairs and landing boards replacement. Importantly, it should also be noted that these works can include emergency remediation works, for example, addressing the outbreak of mould within a police facility.

Maintenance requests for health, safety and security items are always given high priority, and as such, further maintenance works may be scheduled as any emerging priorities arise including for the Callide Electorate.

In addition, I am advised there are a number of reasons the QPS does not release specific details of planned maintenance for specific police facilities because the release of this operational policing information has the potential to compromise officer safety and may be used inappropriately to inform unlawful activity. I hope that the member would agree with the QPS that anything which compromises officer safety should be avoided.

However, I appreciate the member's interest in the question and am advised by the QPS that a general description of planned maintenance works earmarked for completion in the member's electorate during 2023-24 is able to be provided.

To that end I am advised that planned maintenance works in the Callide electorate currently include: external and internal painting, kitchen and laundry upgrades, and garden maintenance, as well as the replacement and repair of foundations, floors, roofs, stairs, balconies, verandahs, guttering, downpipes, air conditioning and water tanks, of various police facilities and residencies.