

CYCLONE SEROJA — TEMPORARY WORKERS' ACCOMMODATION

1218. Hon COLIN de GRUSSA to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Emergency Services:

I refer to a previous response from the minister to a question without notice asked on 11 November 2021 that the provision of workers' accommodation in Kalbarri in the form of a camp with scalable facilities was very close to being delivered.

- (1) What is the status of the campsite facility?
- (2) How many beds are currently available for use; currently in use; and expected to be available for use when the facility is fully operational?
- (3) Who will run the facility and how long will the facility operate for?
- (4) Will any restrictions be placed on workers lodging at the facility; and, if yes, please detail those restrictions, including any limitations on length of stay and types of worker who can stay at the facility?
- (5) Can the minister confirm that the facility will remain part of the accommodation mix for Kalbarri after the cyclone Seroja rebuild is completed?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

- (1) The Department of Fire and Emergency Services is close to finalising suitable accommodation arrangements that will meet the needs of the local government and construction workers during the rebuild.
- (2) There will be 60 beds available, and occupancy will be monitored to address the ongoing and changing needs.
- (3) Temporary workers' accommodation will be independently managed.
- (4)–(5) Processes are in place to verify workers utilising the temporary accommodation are dedicated to severe tropical Seroja rebuild activities.