

EDUCATION — INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA
AND JAPANESE SCHOOL IN PERTH — RELOCATION

1107. Hon SUE ELLERY to the Minister for Education:

I refer to the transfer of the international and Japanese schools to the site of Doubleview Primary School.

- (1) Is the minister aware of local community concerns about the encroachment of the additional buildings onto the local open space?
- (2) Has consideration been given to a two-storey redevelopment, which would not result in any loss of open space?
- (3) Will the local community still be able to use the oval after school hours?

Hon PETER COLLIER replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. To clarify, the Japanese School in Perth will be relocated to the City Beach Primary School site, not to the Doubleview Primary School site.

- (1) I received one letter that raises a concern about the reduction in open space. However, as the Doubleview Primary School site is almost six hectares, significant open space will be retained, including an oval.
- (2) Yes. However, two-storey buildings present challenges for children with disability, are more expensive, and have the potential to disrupt the views of surrounding residences. The current design includes three two-storey classroom buildings. As the size of the site allows for significant open space to be retained, the current design strikes an appropriate balance between cost and amenity for both students and the community.
- (3) Yes.