

MEEKATHARRA SCHOOL OF THE AIR

**Hon KEN BASTON to the minister representing the Minister for Education and Training:**

I refer to the relocation of the Meekatharra School of the Air to Geraldton.

- (1) Where will the new school be located?
- (2) Have drawings and specifications been completed for the new school; and, if not, why not and when will they be completed?
- (3) If drawings and specifications have been completed, have tenders been called for the new building; and, if not, when will tenders be called?
- (4) What is the anticipated commencement date for the new building?
- (5) What is the anticipated completion date of the new building?

**Hon LJILJANNA RAVLICH replied:**

I thank the member for some notice of this question. On behalf of the Minister for Education and Training, I provide the following response -

- (1) As an interim arrangement, the Meekatharra School of the Air will be relocated to the Beachlands Primary School site in Geraldton from early term 2 this year. In the meantime, representatives of the Department of Education and Training, the principal of the Meekatharra School of the Air and architectural consultants are investigating a number of site options for the permanent location of the new school in Geraldton.
- (2) No. The architectural consultant will begin documentation once the preferred permanent location has been selected.
- (3)-(5) The tendering, construction and completion of facilities will be dependent upon the resolution of the permanent location of the new school.