

CHILD AND PARENT CENTRES

980. Hon SUE ELLERY to the Minister for Education:

- (1) Has a formal review been undertaken into the operation of child and parent centres?
- (2) If yes to (1), when was the review conducted, what were the terms of reference of the review and who conducted the review?
- (3) What is the status of the review?

Hon PETER COLLIER replied:

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

- (1) A formal independent evaluation is currently being undertaken by Shelby Consulting.
- (2) The purpose of the evaluation is to examine and report on the extent to which the child and parent centres initiative is meeting, or is on track to meet, state government objectives, outcomes and key components; the extent to which child and parent centres outcomes, performance indicators and deliverables are being met, including trend projections; and the identification of key success and sustainability factors for future application, and whether there are opportunities for refinement and improvement of the initiative.
- (3) The evaluation is on track, with the final evaluation report due to be submitted to the Department of Education in early 2017.