

KARRAKATTA CEMETERY RENEWAL PROGRAM

759. Hon AARON STONEHOUSE to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Local Government:

I refer the minister to my question without notice 694 regarding renewal operations at Karrakatta Cemetery, which was asked on 26 June 2019 and answered on 27 June 2019.

- (1) How many pieces of correspondence, physical and/or electronic, has the minister's office received from members of the public regarding the renewal program since 27 June 2019?
- (2) How many pieces of correspondence, physical and/or electronic, has the minister's office now received from members of the public on the same subject in this calendar year?
- (3) Although I appreciate the minister's commitment to prioritise his department's review of the relatively recent Cat Act 2011, will he concede that there is a clear and mounting concern regarding renewal at Karrakatta, which requires him to offer the public a firm date for a full and public review of the much older Cemeteries Act 1986 as well?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

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

- (1) Since 27 June 2019, 45 pieces of correspondence have been received from members of the public.
- (2) Since 1 January 2019, 87 pieces of correspondence have been received from members of the public.
- (3) No. As previously stated, the minister's current legislative priorities are key reforms to the Local Government Act 1995 and the introduction of measures to stop puppy farming. In addition, the statutory reviews of the Cat Act 2011 and Dog Act 1976 are being conducted.