

RESIDENTIAL COLLEGES

695. Hon RICK MAZZA to the Minister for Education and Training:

I refer the minister to her response to part (2) of question without notice 669, asked on 11 October 2017, which stated that all residential colleges would benefit from this year's funding for the establishment, operation and maintenance of residential colleges. Will the minister provide a breakdown of the works and expenditure planned for each of the residential colleges and the time frame for the completion of the works or expenditure?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

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

The establishment, operation and maintenance of residential colleges referred to on page 167 of the budget papers represents the total cost of running residential colleges. These funds are allocated to each residential college to cover their running costs. Residential colleges undertake minor works funded through their individual college budgets. Two major projects are part of the Department of Education's asset investment program and are not included in the establishment, operation and maintenance of residential colleges. Works of this nature are prioritised, and not all colleges benefit every year. The first major project is a new building for City Beach Residential College, \$6.44 million. Building for this is planned to be complete for the 2019 school year—\$1.44 million in 2017–18 and \$5 million in 2018–19. The second project is the replacement of the fire alarm system at Narrogin Residential College, worth \$265 000. Work is to be completed and the budget to be expended in 2017–18. Maintenance requirements at Moora Residential College are currently being scoped and the cost is not yet confirmed.