

**MOORA RESIDENTIAL COLLEGE**

*Statement by Minister for Education and Training*

**HON SUE ELLERY (South Metropolitan — Minister for Education and Training)** [2.11 pm]: There has been much public commentary regarding the education budget repair measures that were first announced on 13 December 2017. I rise to place on the public record information regarding Moora Residential College. Today, I table all the building condition reports undertaken at the college since 2007. Although Hon Martin Aldridge received some of this information last year, it is important that all members and the general public are able to access these reports via the parliamentary tabling process. There are five reports. Firstly, the February 2012 building condition assessment, costed at \$161 723.32; secondly, the February 2015 order of magnitude assessment, costed at \$17.76 million; and, thirdly, the April 2016 Moora Residential College preliminary project brief, costed at \$8.701 million. The fourth report, the June 2017 Moora Residential College project definition plan, contains the following options: option 1, light refurbishment, costed at \$7 233 500; option 2, major refurbishment, costed at \$8 529 600; option 2A, major refurbishment, costed at \$8 701 000; and, option 3, a new build, costed at \$11 222 800. The fifth report is the October 2017 Moora Residential College fire upgrade opinion, with an indicative cost of \$696 800.

For Moora Residential College to remain open in 2018, some essential maintenance must be carried out. Specifically, the various fire reports commissioned by the Department of Finance's Building Management and Works in late 2017 identified the need to improve fire detection and warning systems and to improve egress by upgrading the emergency lighting. To safeguard the students and staff for the remainder of 2018, these minor but essential works will proceed at an estimated cost of \$59 000. It is anticipated that work will be completed by April 2018. This is an appropriate response to the risks identified for the residential college to remain open until the end of 2018 only.

The Department of Education makes every effort to ensure that no student is put at risk at a WA school. The Department of Education and the Department of Finance's Building Management and Works will continue to assess and monitor the facility while students are attending the college.

I hereby table the reports.

[See paper 1114.]