

INNER CITY COLLEGE — PROJECT COST

1218. Hon DONNA FARAGHER to the Minister for Education and Training:

I refer to the new high school being built in Subiaco, referred to as Inner City College.

- (1) Does the total project cost for stage 1 of the school remain at \$68 million; and, if not, what is the revised total project cost for stage 1?
- (2) What is the expected total project cost of the school building program at full stage completion?
- (3) Has the total project cost referred to in (2) increased from the original budget allocation; and, if yes, by how much?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

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

- (1) No. As stated in a media statement by the Minister for Planning and me dated 8 August 2018, the total project cost for stage 1 is \$70.6 million. The additional cost is due to the unique vertical nature of this proposal, which limits opportunities for future alterations and additions. This requires a more comprehensive stage 1 build, including specialist facilities for design and technology at lower ground level, and the gymnasium, cafeteria and lecture theatre at the size required for the ultimate design capacity of 2 000 students. As the site is restricted, parking is also required to be located underground.
- (2) Stage 1 has been costed at \$70.6 million. Stage 2 is still in the planning phase and funding is yet to be allocated.
- (3) Yes. The original budget for stage 1 has increased by \$2.8 million, from \$67.8 million to \$70.6 million.