

MOORA RESIDENTIAL COLLEGE

578. Hon MARTIN ALDRIDGE to the Minister for Education and Training:

I refer to the much needed upgrades to Moora Residential College and the \$8.7 million allocated in the 2016–17 budget and forward estimates.

- (1) Will the \$8.7 million upgrade proceed?
- (2) Is the minister aware of the building condition audit that raises numerous structural and safety concerns about the college?
- (3) Is the minister aware of health concerns at the college about regularly occurring cockroach infestations?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

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

- (1) No. This was a commitment of the former government with funding provided through royalties for regions. The college currently has 33 students enrolled. This is expected to decrease in 2018 when Yanchep secondary college opens.
- (2) Yes. The department is currently costing work identified in the audit.
- (3) I am advised that the department has not received any advice from Moora Residential College on the matter of health concerns. The college has a regular vermin control program and pest control contractors from Perth attend one to two times per term.