

YANCHEP DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL — CAPITAL WORKS

671. Hon LJILJANNA RAVLICH to the Minister for Education:

I refer to the announcement in November 2012 that Yanchep District High School was to receive \$10.5 million for new facilities, including two new science laboratories, two design and technology rooms, a performance art room, a visual art room, student toilets and change rooms, and a staff study area.

- (1) Can the minister confirm whether any of these promised works have started?
- (2) If so, what work has commenced and when is it expected to be finished?
- (3) If no work has been commenced yet, why not; and will the minister confirm that the new facilities will be provided and when?

Hon PETER COLLIER replied:

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

- (1)–(2) No construction has commenced, but some planning has been undertaken.
- (3) The 2013–14 budget focused on savings and reform initiatives, including a review of major infrastructure projects and the state’s asset investment program, to deliver the government’s expenditure priorities and financial management objectives. As a result, the capital works planned for Yanchep District High School have been deferred. These works will be considered as part of future budget processes.

The rapid population growth in the northern corridor has been recognised with the opening earlier this year of Butler College, and new primary schools to open at north Butler and north Yanchep in 2014. The state government remains committed to providing high-quality education facilities in this area.