



Minister for Education and Training Minister for the Arts

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Mr Neil Laurie
The Clerk of the Parliament
Parliament House
George Street
BRISBANE QLD 4000

Dear Mr Laurie

Thank you for your letter dated 17 October 2006 regarding a petition lodged with the Queensland Legislative Assembly on 11 October 2006 numbered 685-06 in relation to the possible sale of departmental property at 77–83 Kitchener Road, Ascot which includes the Kitchener Road TAFE Children's Centre.

The department is currently reviewing its strategies in relation to the disposal of this property. At this stage there are no definite timelines in place for a possible disposal.

Any future disposal outcome must satisfy Government Asset Management Guidelines and also the Government's desire to continue the provision of child-care services to the community. The department intends to sell the property at market valuation and reinvest the proceeds into the implementation of the *Queensland Skills Plan* program.

Thank you for bringing this matter to my attention. I trust this information clarifies the situation for you.

Yours sincerely

Rod Welford MF

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