



Minister for Education and Minister for the Arts

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

Dear Mr Laurie

Petition received by the Queensland Legislative Assembly No. 410 - 04

I refer to your letter of the 25th November and the petition lodged with the Queensland Legislative Assembly on the 24th November by the Member for Surfers Paradise, concerning the proposed sale of Education Queensland land at Kewarra Beach Cairns, which has been deemed surplus to the Department's needs.

I am responding to each petitioner, advising that detailed demographic studies have been undertaken of the Cairns Area as part of the Cairns Educational Renewal process and that they do not support the location of a school at Brolga Close Kewarra Beach.

In accordance with the recommendations of the Cairns Educational Renewal Steering Committee, assets identified as surplus to future needs will be sold and the funds used to provide new and improved facilities for Cairns.

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to this petition.

Yours sincerely

Anna Bligh MP Minister for Education and Minister for the Arts.