## Minutes of a meeting of the Parliamentary Public Works Committee held at 1 pm on Wednesday 30 October 1991 in the Conference Room, Level 5, Parliamentary Annexe

Present:

Messrs McGrady, Johnson, Coomber, Ms

Spence.

In attendance: Ms Keliher, Research

Director.

Apologies:

Messrs Bredhauer, Livingstone,

Lester.

Minutes of the previous meeting:

Minutes of the previous meeting of 23 October 1991 were confirmed.

Moved Ms Spence, seconded Mr Coomber.

Schools/Planning:

A general discussion ensued on the following:

Outline of chapter headings
Schools consultation and planning report

Introduction

Explanation of reason for inquiry, process of inquiry, scope of report, sources of information and so on.

Chapter one

Historical overview of process used to locate schools and colleges. Particular reference to schools and colleges

selected by the Committee.

Chapter two
Details of typical involvement of
Administrative Services Department and
the Department of Education and TAFE in
the process.

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Chapter three

Review of communications with local authorities involved in the process of new school/college construction.

Chapter four Conclusion and recommendations.

<u>Draft recommendations for Committee discussion:</u>

- that the local authority be asked to propose a number of sites which comply with the Department of Education guidelines suitable for the sighting of a school. The Department to have power of veto over the selection;
- that there be definite protocols developed between state and local government to ensure that the correct communications are received by the right people at the most opportune time;
- that local authorities and state authorities share planning information;
- that regional offices be involved in all communications between the department and the council to prevent duplication of effort and confusion with communications;
- that the role of the Administrative Services Department in provision of services be defined;
- that in defining this role the process give due consideration to the additional costs incurred by councils and identify those costs which are not subject to capital works subsidies and other government funds;

that in identifying what the real cost to council will be for provision of a facility that the state provide every assistance and advice to help resolve the funding problems that arise.

> The Research Director to draft a report reflecting issues from the above, for Committee's discussion.

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Transcripts to be further reviewed and dealt with at next meeting.

The meeting closed at 1.50 pm.

Date of Next Meeting:

Wednesday 13 November 1991 at 1 pm.

Dated this 13th day of November

1991.

Chairman