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Parliamentary Report on Port Sorell School

The Parliamentary Joint Standing Committee on Community Development has released a report on the provision of public primary school education in the Port Sorell area, Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier, Heather Butler, said today.

Ms Butler said that the report, which investigated the provision of public primary education in Port Sorell, Shearwater, Wesley Vale, Sassafras and Moriarty, had made some major recommendations, including that a new contemporary public primary school be planned, constructed and opened in Port Sorell.

“The recommendations will take some time to consider and work through in detail,” Ms Butler said.

“Given the timeframes for availability of Building the Education Revolution funding, we need to keep moving with the planned projects at Wesley Vale, Sassafras and Moriarty around each school’s funding entitlements under both the National School Pride (NSP) and Primary Schools for the 21st Century (PS21) programs.

Ms Butler said that the three schools’ projects were principally focused on refurbishing or replacing existing facilities, such as terrapins and toilet blocks, to provide more modern and enhanced learning environments for students.

“The projects will proceed to tender before the end of November.”

“Bullock Consulting are the consultants for all three schools.”

“This is a fantastic outcome for the school communities at Moriarty, Sassafras and Wesley Vale,” Ms Butler said.