Compulsory Acquisition of Westbury Farmland

Ms BUTLER question to MINISTER for INFRASTRUCTURE

Carol and John Firth of Westbury are concerned about the Department of State Growth's plans to compulsorily acquire their land for a heavy vehicle rest area. They say there was no consultation with them and the first they heard was a letter in the mail with the title, 'Project Update'. Noting the poppy yield of the land has the highest alkaloid levels in the area, these concerns were raised with the government in January this year. Mr and Mrs Firth have advised that the acquisition of their prime agricultural paddocks will proceed. Are you concerned about the way they have been treated and will you step in to find a suitable resolution?