

Kingston Primary School Car Park – Closure

Dr WOODRUFF question to MINISTER for EDUCATION

I've been contacted by many residents of Kingborough, students of the U3A, regarding the sudden closure of the old Kingston Primary School car park on Hutchins Street. U3A is a volunteer-run organisation for retired and semi-retired people with around 400 local members and 41 courses that have been run there. When a section of the car park was deemed unsafe, U3A participants were advised to use free parking in surrounding streets and in Channel Court. This is a huge barrier for a significant number of people who have mobility issues. They can't access classes provided for social and physical wellbeing. This site is leased from the Department of the Environment. Repair of the car park is urgent. What is the time frame for repairing the safety issues and reopening the car park? What support will be offered to U3A members unable to participate and can they have conversations directly with the department?