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Tuesday, 2 April 2013 9:00 AM

To:

**Press Secretaries** 

Subject:

TALKING POINTS CORRECTION - Regional Community Association Moreton Bay

Sorry, just to correct it was actually Thursday afternoon not Friday afternoon that the Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services was advised by RCAMB that the organisation is facing severe financial difficulties



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Hi everyone,

Below are talking points in the case your Minister is door stopped this morning in regards to the Regional Community Association Moreton Bay on the way one into cabinet.

- Serious issues have been raised about the use of taxpayer funds by the Regional Community Association Moreton Bay (RCAMB).
- Matters were previously referred to the CMC by the Government in November last year.
- The State Government has also commissioned an audit of the organisation to ensure that tax-payers funds have been utilised for the purpose for which they were provided.
- The Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services was on Thursday afternoon advised by RCAMB that the organisation is facing severe financial difficulties.
- Minister Davis advised her department to activate its contingency plans to ensure that the important services previously provided by RCAMB would continue to be provided.
- The Pine River Neighbourhood Centre has been engaged to provide the services in the immediate future.
- Staff from Communities and senior representatives from the Pine Rivers Neighbourhood Centre will be on site to assist clients from this morning.
- Minister Davis has instructed her department to try and contact RCAMB employees who may have been impacted by this situation to offer assistance to them.



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Media release

Minister for Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services

The Honourable Tracy Davis



Queensland Labor's efforts to politicise the closure of the Regional Community Association Moreton Bay is a disgrace, according to Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services Minister Tracy Davis.

Ms Davis said whilst the Government was getting on with the job of ensuring the Redcliffe Peninsula had important community services in place, the Opposition was using it as a political football.

"On late Thursday afternoon the RCAMB advised my department it was in dire financial circumstances and could no longer meet its obligations," Ms Davis said.

"I immediately instructed my department to activate its contingency plans to ensure the important services previously delivered by this organisation could continue.

"The Pine River Neighbourhood Centre has been engaged to provide the services in the immediate future."

Ms Davis said Opposition Leader Anastasia Palaszczuk's calls for the Government to initiate an audit of the organisation showed just how out of touch she was.

"The fact is the Government has already appointed an auditor," she said.

"Likewise, it was this Government which referred complaints to the CMC for investigation in November.

"Whilst Ms Palaszczuk has had her head buried in the sand, this government has been getting on with the job of ensuring there is greater accountability around the use of taxpayer funds.

"This is the same old Labor Party which, when in Government, presided over the health payroll debacle and the fake Tanitian Prince swindle.

"I again call on the Opposition Leader to bring forward any material she thinks may be of assistance to the auditors. If she fails to do so, then her latest stunt is simply an exercise in scaremongering."

[Ends] 2 April 2013

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# Media release

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### Statement from Communities Minister Tracy Davis

The Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services has this afternoon been advised by the board of the Regional Community Association Moreton Bay (RCAMB) that the organisation is facing severe financial difficulties.

I have advised my department to activate its contingency plans to ensure that the important services provided by RCAMB would continue to be provided.

The Pine River Neighbourhood Centre has been engaged to provide the services in the immediate future.

Staff from my department and senior representatives from the Pine Rivers Neighbourhood Centre will be on site to assist clients from Tuesday morning.

I have instructed my department to try and contact RCAMB employees who may have been impacted by this situation to offer assistance to them.

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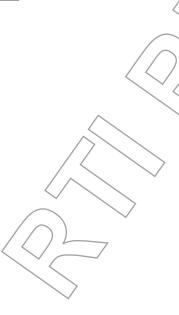
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