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Which schools will close? Time to stop hiding review
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The parents of Darwin's northern suburb school children should be told which schools will be closed if recommendations contained in the review into education are implemented, CLP Shadow Minister for Education Dr Richard Lim said today.

Dr Lim has called on the Government to stop sitting on the $1 million review and also reveal whether or not the review's recommendations will be used to resolve the crisis in confidence at Nightcliff High School.

"The Government's handling of its review into secondary Education is shaping up as another disaster in the making in the way it is going about handling the review's release and subsequent implementation of recommendations," Dr Richard Lim said.

"Territory mums and dads have been waiting six months to find out what they got for their million dollars," Dr Lim said. "And the more the Government stalls its introduction the more worrying it gets.

"Unions, parent bodies, other educational professionals and the independent schools have all been clamouring for a copy of the report, but to no avail.

"The Government needs to reveal:

How it intends to reorganise the schools in Darwin and Palmerston?

By reducing primary schools to Transition 1 – 6 only, what primary schools will be closed in Darwin and Palmerston?

What is the timetable to downgrade Dripstone High School, Nightcliff High School and Sanderson High School to 'Junior High Schools' catering for Years 7 – 9 only?

Whether Casuarina and Darwin High Schools will be expanded to take in Years 7 – 12?

How the Palmerston campus of the Charles Darwin University will have Years 11 and 12 when Centralian College’s (Alice Springs Campus of CDU) years 11 and 12 have yet to be bedded down properly?

"There are too many questions at this time that the government is not prepared to answer, yet it is proceeding as if many of the recommendations in the report on ‘Secondary Education Review’ will be implemented."
“It's time to end the secretiveness and have the courage to come forward with the review recommendations. It only adds to criticism that this Government is so shell shocked from public anger over other decisions it has made it doesn't know how to deal with this review and its recommendations.”

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