

Metropolitan Redevelopment Authority —

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[Witnesses introduced.]

The CHAIR: I give the call to the member for Nedlands.

Mr W.R. MARMION: I refer to “Subiaco Redevelopment Area—Redevelopment Works” on page 634 of budget paper No 2. I am interested to know whether the minister has a projected budget figure for the Subiaco redevelopment. I am talking about the area under the Metropolitan Redevelopment Authority regime around Subiaco Oval.

Ms R. SAFFIOTI: LandCorp–MRA will be preparing a business case for the entire area in Subiaco with a lot of new parts and old parts. Work on the inner-city college is underway and is being managed by the Department of Education with Building Management and Works. A sum of \$6 million has been set aside for the planning and the necessary forward works for the whole precinct. There are a number of milestones, which include the inner-city college construction; demolition of the grandstands; a business case for the entire precinct; and the old Princess Margaret Hospital for Children site, which we will be looking after when the Department of Health leaves. We are preparing a business case for the entire area. There will be costs but also revenue through land sales and the value of the land that we will create around the inner-city school and the existing Subiaco Oval.

Mr W.R. MARMION: I assume that master plan will look at R-coding of the whole area, which will impact on the number of residents who will ultimately live there. Will that impact other WAPC developments under the minister’s control? I raise the Subiaco west region around Daglish and the possibility that if this is scaled up, it may take some pressure off that area.

Ms R. SAFFIOTI: That is definitely the kind of discussion and engagement we want to have, particularly with the city. The City of Subiaco is working constructively with the state. Of course, it is very keen to represent its community’s interests in discussions, but it has a constructive working relationship with the state, which will mean much better outcomes for everyone involved. I think the scheme was approved and we are now working through the structure plan with the city. That will help guide us in things such as height and other density, the retention of open space and other potential upgrades to the train station and other facilities in the area. I am very keen to engage. This is a huge opportunity for Subiaco to create a lively precinct that will bring more people closer to infrastructure to support small business, and potentially to work with the communities around Daglish and Shenton Park on some of their concerns.

[3.00 pm]

Mr W.R. MARMION: When will the master plan be finalised? I know there might be complications with the Princess Margaret Hospital for Children site. When will even a draft master plan be available for the local member to have a look at?

Ms R. SAFFIOTI: Hopefully, by the end of the year we will have the business case and the master plan developed. We had to get confirmation about the exit from PMH, which we now of course have, and then we will have to take, in a sense, ownership of the site. We will work to have some further information for the local member by the end of the year.

The CHAIR: The member for Mount Lawley had a question, but I am not sure that we will get through it.

Mr S.A. MILLMAN: It was a supplementary question to the member for Nedlands’ question on the excellent proposals in his electorate for the Inner City College development, which we know will deliver pedagogical benefits to Mount Lawley Senior High School by alleviating enrolment pressures. I do not think there is anything further that the minister can advise over what she has already told us.

The CHAIR: That concludes the examination of the Metropolitan Redevelopment Authority. I also note that the divisions for the provision for Metronet projects under development and the Fremantle Port Authority were not examined.