

MINISTER FOR FINANCE — PORTFOLIOS — CONSULTANTS

24. Ms M.J. Davies to the Minister for Finance; Lands; Sport and Recreation; Citizenship and Multicultural Interests:

I refer to external consultants hired and tasked with assisting Departments, and ask:

- (a) For all departments or agencies under your responsibility, please detail:
 - (i) The number of private consultants hired in the 2020–21 Financial Year;
 - (ii) The total cost to the department for hiring those consultants;
 - (iii) The number of reports produced by those private consultants; and
 - (iv) The number of reports made public?

Dr A.D. Buti replied:

- (i)–(ii) As part of this government’s ongoing commitment to accountability and transparency, and in accordance with Premier’s Circular 2019/06, a six-monthly “Report on Consultants Engaged by the Government” is tabled in this place.

Reports for the 2020/21 financial year will be tabled shortly.

Department of Finance:

The Department of Finance advises:

- (iii) Nil formal reports have been produced as of 31 December 2020. As was practice under the previous government, consultants may be engaged by the government to provide strategic advice.
- (iv) Not applicable.

Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage:

- (a) (i)–(iv) Please refer to Legislative Assembly Question on Notice 23.

DevelopmentWA:

- (iii) Nil formal reports have been produced as of 31 December 2020. As was practice under the previous government, consultants may be engaged by the government to provide strategic advice.
- (iv) Not applicable.

Landgate:

- (iii) Nil formal reports have been produced as of 31 December 2020. As was practice under the previous government, consultants may be engaged by the government to provide strategic advice.
- (iv) Not applicable.

Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries:

- (a) (i)–(iv) Please refer to Legislative Assembly Question on Notice 19.

VenuesWest:

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- (iii) Nil formal reports have been produced as of 31 December 2020. As was practice under the previous government, consultants may be engaged by the government to provide strategic advice.
- (iv) As of 31 December 2020, nil formal reports produced have been publicly released. This figure is subject to change as reports produced are considered by government.