

REMOTE POOL PROGRAM — KIMBERLEY

3180. Ms J. Farrer to the Minister for Housing:

- (1) Is there funding available for the Remote Pool Program?
- (2) What are the steps for communities to apply for the Remote Pool Program?
- (3) Is there funding available for the Remote Pool Program to be implemented in new locations in the Kimberley?
- (4) Has the Department identified new locations in the Kimberley to implement the Remote Pool Program, and if so, what are those locations?
- (5) When will construction of the Pools begin and when will construction be completed?

Mr W.R. Marmion replied:

The Department of Housing advises:

- (1) Funding was previously available under the now discontinued Environmental Health Program. There is currently no allocated funding.
- (2)–(3) All applications are subject to a business case and funding submission.
- (4) The Department has been allocated \$1.5 million from the Department of Health to conduct a feasibility study into the Balgo community. Any decision on constructing a pool will be subject to the outcome of this study and appropriate funding arrangements being in place to meet capital and operational costs.
- (5) Not applicable