

CHURCHILL PARK GUEST HOUSE

**948. Hon SALLY TALBOT to the Minister for Child Protection:**

I refer to the answer given to question without notice 284 in March 2014 when the minister representing the Minister for Housing said that the site of the demolished Churchill Park Guest House was —

... earmarked for a purpose-built women's refuge for Busselton Women's Refuge Inc ... subject to confirmation of ongoing operational funding for the services required to operate this facility.

- (1) When was the decision first made to use the Churchill Park Guest House building as a women's refuge?
- (2) When did the Minister for Child Protection first become aware that the building was contaminated with asbestos?

**Hon HELEN MORTON replied:**

I thank the member for some notice of this question.

- (1) The Department of Housing through the crisis accommodation program purchased a property at 18 Brown Street, Busselton in July 2012.
- (2) A Department of Housing building inspection in July 2013 identified asbestos throughout the building. The Department for Child Protection and Family Support was notified immediately by the Department of Housing and the minister was briefed accordingly.