

COURTS — AVAILABILITY

162. Hon NICK GOIRAN to the parliamentary secretary representing the Attorney General:

I refer to question without notice 74 asked and answered on 11 May 2021 regarding the roundtable discussion to address the urgent need for new courts for criminal trials.

- (1) Did the roundtable discussion take place on 18 May 2021?
- (2) If yes to (1), who was invited?
- (3) Further to (2), who attended the roundtable discussion?
- (4) Will the minister table the briefing note or other documents he received from his staff or his department in preparation for the meeting?
- (5) Will the minister table the minutes and/or documents recording the outcomes from the meeting?
- (6) If no to (4) or (5), why not?

Hon MATTHEW SWINBOURN replied:

I thank the member for some notice of the question. I provide the following response on behalf of the Attorney General.

- (1) Yes.
- (2) The Chief Justice of WA, Hon Peter Quinlan; Chief Judge of the District Court, Hon Julie Wager; director general of the Department of Justice, Dr Adam Tomison; executive director of court and tribunal services of the Department of Justice, Joanne Stampalia; Director of Public Prosecutions, Amanda Forrester; a representative from the Department of Finance; and the Attorney General and staff.
- (3) In addition to those listed in part (2), a second representative from the Department of Finance attended.
- (4)–(6) I ask the member to place the remainder of the question on notice to allow further time to seek advice prior to responding.