

CONNECT SOUTH WEST

**958. Hon NIGEL HALLETT to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for South West:**

- (1) What, if any, information has the minister received pertaining to -
  - (a) Connect South West's operating budget finances; and
  - (b) the ongoing sustainability of MySouthWest and MyTown web portals?
- (2) What, if any, intellectual property and/or software has Connect South West developed?
- (3) Is this property and/or software being utilised for profit by Connect South West and/or outside groups or individuals?
- (4) What, if any, ongoing involvement does the Bunbury Chamber of Commerce and Industries have with Connect South West?
- (5) Does the grant entitled "Information Technology in the South West" form part of the regional infrastructure program?

**Hon KIM CHANCE replied:**

I thank the member for some notice of this question.

- (1)
  - (a) None.
  - (b) A briefing has previously been provided to the minister.
- (2) Connect South West has developed software for its portal web site.
- (3) Connect South West raises its revenue from the utilisation of its software, which is applied to achieving the objectives of its incorporation. These revenues are not distributed as profit to any individuals.
- (4) The executive officer of the Bunbury Chamber of Commerce and Industries is a current board member of Connect South West.
- (5) No.