ELLENSBROOK PRECINCT

381. Hon BARRY HOUSE to the minister representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage:

With reference to the management of the historic Ellensbrook precinct -

- (1) What progress has been made on the memorandum of understanding between the Department of Conservation and Land Management, the National Trust of Australia (WA) and the Shire of Augusta-Margaret River over future management?
- (2) When will this memorandum of understanding be completed?

Hon KIM CHANCE replied:

I thank the member for some notice of this question.

- (1) I am informed that significant progress has been made towards a memorandum of understanding between the Department of Conservation and Land Management, the National Trust of Australia (WA) and the Shire of Augusta-Margaret River for the management of the historic Ellensbrook precinct. The partners in the proposed memorandum of understanding are considering some remaining detailed management questions and a mutually satisfactory outcome is expected.
- (2) I am advised that it is likely that the memorandum of understanding will be signed this financial year.