

HOPETOUN WASTE WATER PROJECT

**739. Hon NIGEL HALLETT to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Water Resources:**

With regard to the Hopetoun waste water project -

- (1) What state government funding has been committed to the Hopetoun waste water project?
- (2) What is the waste water contribution amount built into the cost of each additional residential block offered for sale to BHP Billiton by the state government?
- (3) What are the anticipated commencement and completion dates to upgrade Hopetoun's sewerage system?

**Hon JON FORD replied:**

On behalf of the Leader of the House, I thank the member for some notice of this question. The Minister for Water Resources has provided the following answer -

- (1) Some \$11.1 million has been committed for the construction of the waste water treatment plant.
- (2) To date, lots sold to BHP Billiton have included a payment of standard sewerage headworks, which is currently \$1 490 a lot.
- (3) Under the Water Corporation's current program for stage 1 of the proposed waste water treatment project, subject to funding approvals and final regulatory approvals, construction will commence in November 2007 and be completed in September 2008, when the service would begin.