HERITAGE, NATIONAL TRUST, STATE HERITAGE STRATEGY

1100. Mr Edwards to the Minister for the Environment and Heritage

Given that the initiative relating to the continued development of a State Heritage Strategy was also listed as an achievement for Output 1: Heritage Identification for the year 2000/01 of the National Trust's Budget Estimates, I ask the Minister -

- (a) is this initiative under Output 2: Heritage Conservation different to the former achievement;
- (b) if so, in what way does it differ; and
- (c) if not, why is it included as an initiative for the 2001/02 year?

Dr EDWARDS replied:

(a)-(b) Yes it is different. Output 1 (2000/01) focussed on the identification of the issues and the stakeholders. Output 2 (2001/02) represents the implementation and development stage of State heritage strategy process and that it is now under way and evolving.

On going discussions are taking place with stakeholders, agencies and ministers in pursuit of holistic heritage legislation. The National Trust is preparing a frame work for the Government to consider.

Some significant developments have been:

National forum on conserving nature on private land. The National Trust Committee support for the drafting and review of heritage legislation Partnering agreements with local government authorities Editorial and feature articles in Trust News.

(c) Not applicable.