

ALBANY CENTENNIAL PARK SPORTING PRECINCT REDEVELOPMENT —  
MINISTER FOR SPORT AND RECREATION'S COMMENTS

**936. Mr P.B. WATSON to the Minister for Sport and Recreation:**

I have a supplementary question. When will the government stop playing games with the people of Albany by saying that the promised funding —

Several members interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Right; I do not want to hear the wall of noise. Repeat yourself, member for Albany.

**Mr P.B. WATSON:** Thank you very much, Mr Speaker, for your protection.

When will the government stop playing games with the people of Albany by saying that —

**Mr J.E. McGrath** interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Member for South Perth, I call you to order for the first time.

**Mr P.B. WATSON:** Minister —

**Ms M.J. Davies:** Yes, member.

**Mr P.B. WATSON:** — when will the government stop playing games with the people of Albany by saying that the promised funding is under consideration, and get on and confirm that it will be available? We now have Middleton Beach, which is a sandpit; we have the entertainment area down at the bottom of the sandpit; and now we have a sandpit at Centennial Oval.

**Ms M.J. DAVIES replied:**

I have outlined very clearly that this state government has made an enormous commitment to sport and recreation facilities right across the state. The matter is under consideration. I am very aware of the city's requirements and have had conversations with the mayor to that effect.

**Mr P.B. Watson:** Conversations! We want money!

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Albany.

**Mr F.M. Logan** interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Cockburn, I do not want to call you for the third time, so relax. Minister.

**Ms M.J. DAVIES:** Thank you, Mr Speaker. Can I point out that we have already committed \$8 million; \$8 million has already been invested by this state government into this precinct. Funding from Regional Development Australia has been secured as well. As I said, we are considering it. The business case is being worked on by the Department of Sport and Recreation. I am very confident that we will meet the state government's election commitment.