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MINISTERIAL OFFICES, GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES - MOBILE PHONES - LOST OR STOLEN

4687. Hon Ray Halligan to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for the Environment

For each Department and Agency under the Minister's control, including the Ministerial office -

- (1) How many mobile phones have been reported lost or stolen for the six months to 31 December 2006?
- (2) What was the total value of the mobile phones that were lost or stolen?
- (3) Was the loss or theft of any of these mobile phones reported to the police?
- (4) If yes to (3), when were these reports made?
- (5) Of those reported, what has been the outcome?
- (6) If any were not reported to the police, why not?
- (7) What steps, if any, have been put into place with a view to eliminating, or at least reducing, these losses?
- (8) When were these steps put into place?

Hon SALLY TALBOT replied:

Department of Environment and Conservation:

- (1) One mobile phone was stolen.
- (2) The purchase cost of the mobile phone was \$170.
- (3) The theft of the mobile phone was reported to the police.
- (4) 10 April 2007.
- (5) The mobile phone has not been recovered.
- (6) Not applicable.
- (7) Staff have been instructed to keep the only entrance door on the ground floor to the office suite from which the phone was stolen locked at all times and all staff have been encouraged to lock their offices when they are absent from them for an extended period of time.
- (8) The theft was discovered on 9 October 2006 and the steps outlined in above were put in place immediately.

Peel Development Commission:

- (1) None.
- (2)-(8) Not applicable.

Botanic Gardens and Parks Authority:

- (1) The Botanic Gardens and Parks Authority had NIL mobile phones reported lost or stolen for the six months to 31 December 2006.
- (2)-(6) Not applicable.
- (7) The Botanic Gardens and Parks Authority maintains a mobile phone register.
- (8) Each Botanic Gardens and Parks Authority user must agree to abide by the guidelines for the management of mobile phones and each user must acknowledge the receiving of the mobile phone by signing the register.

Perth Zoo:

- (1) Nil.
- (2)-(6) Not applicable.
- (7) Zoological Parks Authority staff are regularly reminded to ensure the physical security of equipment. The Zoological Parks Authority has also commenced a microdot security identification project.
- (8) Zoological Parks Authority staff were last reminded of their responsibilities on 28 February 2007. The microdot security identification project was commenced in February 2007.

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- (1) Nil.
- (2)-(6) Not Applicable.
- (7) Regular asset verification undertaken. Asset capitalisation threshold is \$1 000 and a public property register is maintained for items under \$1 000. DataDot DNA has been investigated to deter theft.
- (8) DataDot DNA was explored in November 2006 and is likely to be trialled later in the 06/07 financial year.

Ministerial Office:

(1)-(8) Please refer to question on notice 4653.