

PERTH STADIUM — COSTS

**532. Ms R. SAFFIOTI to the Minister for Sport and Recreation:**

I refer to the total costs of the Perth Stadium.

- (1) Can the minister confirm that the total cost of the design, build, finance and maintain contract signed by the government is \$1.212 billion in net present value in 2014 dollars?
- (2) Can the minister confirm that the additional costs not related to the DBFM contract are \$150.6 million?
- (3) Can the minister confirm that cost of the transport infrastructure is \$336.2 million?

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

- (1)–(3) I thank the member for the question and I welcome her interest in what is an outstanding project for the state. I understand that the member received detailed information on this, because there were quite a number of questions through the estimates process—through Treasury, the Premier and my department. I understand that my department was forthcoming with quite a significant amount of information to clarify some of this quite complex financial information.

The capital cost of the building and stadium precinct is \$918 million. The cost of the transport infrastructure is \$358 million, which has been confirmed by the Minister for Transport. The \$918 million plus \$358 million is \$1.277 billion, which is what the Premier —

*Point of Order*

**Ms R. SAFFIOTI:** Mr Speaker, I gave notice of this question a number of hours ago. The question is in relation to the DBFM contract. What is the value of that contract? What is the value of the associated works? What is the value of the transport infrastructure?

**The SPEAKER:** Minister.

*Questions without Notice Resumed*

**Mr W.J. Johnston** interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Cannington!

**Ms M.J. DAVIES:** If I can finish answering the question, because we have been forthcoming and consistent in the information —

**Mr P. Papalia** interjected.

**Ms M.J. DAVIES:** We absolutely have been consistent across a number of portfolios. The \$918 million plus \$358 million equals \$1.277 billion, which was referred to by the Premier, and that was talking about the construction costs and the transport infrastructure.

*Point of Order*

**Ms R. SAFFIOTI:** I gave notice of this question before 11 o'clock. There are three questions: Can the minister confirm the DBFM contract is \$1.21 billion? Can the minister confirm that the additional costs are \$150 million? Can the minister confirm that cost of the transport infrastructure is \$336.2 million?

**The SPEAKER:** Member for West Swan, just give the minister a chance to answer now.

*Questions without Notice Resumed*

**Ms M.J. DAVIES:** I am actually trying to answer the member's question. When members opposite continually interrupt, it says to me that they do not really want the information; they just want to continue to confuse the public about a complex issue.

Several members interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Members!

**Ms M.J. DAVIES:** I think that is what members opposite have sought to do.

**Mrs M.H. Roberts** interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Midland!

**Ms M.J. DAVIES:** They obviously do not want the answer or they do not like the answer—I am not sure which one it is. The contract value is \$1.2 billion with Westadium and that includes maintenance, repairs and refurbishments over 25 years. We have been consistent in that information being provided on the contracts that

have been released under the requirements that we have to make public any of the commercial-in-confidence information. I think that has been on the Treasury website for some time. The \$1.2 billion the member referred to; yes, I can confirm.

By selecting to progress with the DBFM contract that we sought, it has saved taxpayers \$300 million in comparison with the public sector—members opposite do not like to hear that, but it is the truth. The public sector comparator shows that we have saved taxpayers \$300 million.

*Point of Order*

**Ms R. SAFFIOTI:** There are three parts to the question.

**Mr C.J. Barnett:** Sit down. Sit down.

**The SPEAKER:** I hope this is a proper point of order, member for West Swan. I will hear the member for West Swan.

**Mrs M.H. ROBERTS:** I would like to make a point of order.

Several members interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Churchlands, I call you to order. I want to hear the point of order in silence.

**Mrs M.H. ROBERTS:** My point of order is simply this: the Speaker has said repeatedly in this house that he would like to hear points of order in silence and the moment that the member for West Swan got to her feet to say “point of order” and the Speaker gave her the call, the Premier of this state interjected “Sit down” repeatedly, yet the Speaker has continually failed to call the Premier to order.

**The SPEAKER:** I just want to say that I have given you a lot of latitude, member for West Swan, on points of order on this particular issue, which I do not think were real points of order. Have you got another point of order?

**Ms R. SAFFIOTI:** My point of order is that I gave notice of this question over three hours ago.

**The SPEAKER:** Are you finished?

**Ms R. SAFFIOTI:** There are three parts to the question —

**Mr N.W. Morton** interjected.

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

**Ms R. SAFFIOTI:** Notice was given three and a half hours ago —

**Mr N.W. Morton** interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Forrestfield, I call you to order for the second time.

**Ms R. SAFFIOTI:** There were three questions —

**The SPEAKER:** I do not need to hear the questions.

**Ms R. SAFFIOTI:** Can I ask that the three questions are answered given that I gave notice.

**The SPEAKER:** That is not a point of order. The minister has answered. I cannot force her to answer those three questions as you have asked them.