

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

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

I draw the minister's attention to the headline on the front page of the *Albany Advertiser* on 5 November that states "Pavilion plan put on hold". Why does the minister not provide the \$8.75 million in funding for the Centennial Park Sporting Precinct redevelopment promised at the last election so that the City of Albany can award the building contract and the rest of the project can proceed?

Ms M.J. DAVIES replied:

I did not miss that one, member for Albany. I did see the front page of the *Albany Advertiser*; I actually do read the papers.

Point of Order

Mr P.B. WATSON: Mr Speaker, I did not ask the question could she read.

The SPEAKER: Right; minister.

Questions without Notice Resumed

Ms M.J. DAVIES: We are very proud of the investment we have made into sport and recreation facilities right across the state. I have had a number of conversations with the Mayor of Albany, Dennis Wellington, about this project. He is pushing very strongly for us to make a decision in that space. He is correct; a commitment was made. By my count, we still have just under 18 months until the next election. There has been no broken promise in this space. That business case is under consideration. They are continuing to work through it with the Department of Sport and Recreation and I am very confident that we will deliver on that promise.