

BUSSELTON JETTY — FUNDING

**564. Hon BARRY HOUSE to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for South West:**

I refer to the proposed Busselton jetty project.

- (1) Is the Shire of Busselton or LandCorp responsible for the cost of the land adjacent to Sir Stewart Bovell Park that has been earmarked for replacement facilities for Churchill Park users?
- (2) Will the state government fund the \$6 million that was previously committed to the jetty restructure by the Howard government but withdrawn by the Rudd government?
- (3) If the answer to (2) is yes, will this amount be forwarded from the 30 per cent tax equivalent payment from LandCorp to the state government?
- (4) If not from this fund, from where will it be derived?
- (5) If there is eventually enough profit in the project, will the state government refund the Busselton shire's \$11 million share or portion thereof to the jetty refurbishment?
- (6) Has the project considered incorporating a visitor centre for the Geographe Bay Tourism Association and the foreshore tourist precinct?
- (7) If no to (6), why not?

**Hon KIM CHANCE replied:**

I thank Hon Barry House for providing notice of the question.

- (1) The purchase of land for replacement sporting facilities will be negotiated as part of a project agreement with the Shire of Busselton. No decision has yet been made in relation to responsibility.
- (2) The state government is still considering a request from the Shire of Busselton to advance an additional \$6 million for jetty refurbishment.
- (3)-(4) No decision has been made.
- (5) Yes.
- (6) This will be a matter for the Shire of Busselton in determining future use of lease sites.
- (7) Not applicable.