Extract from Hansard

[ASSEMBLY - Friday, 23 May 2003] p727b-727b Mrs Cheryl Edwardes

DIVISION 50: WESTERN AUSTRALIAN PLANNING COMMISSION

Supplementary Information Request No B21.

Question: Mrs C.L. Edwardes asked whether the Minister could provide details of the amount of money coming through the DPI budget that was formerly allocated to the ministerial appeals office, and the amount of money coming from the WAPC.

Answer: The amount formerly allocated to the Office of the Minister for Planning (Planning Appeals) (or OMPPA) is Special Acts funding from consolidated revenue, which is reported under the WA Planning Commission. That funding is now being utilised against the Town Planning Appeal Tribunal (TPAT), which is also reported under the WA Planning Commission.

On Page 807 of the 2003-04 Budget Statements for the WA Planning Commission, the funding for OMPPA/TPAT appears against "Amount Authorised by Other Statutes – Town Planning and Development Act 1928".

For 2003/04 the Special Acts funding will supplement the pre-existing sources of funding for the Appeal Tribunal. They have been revenue from Tribunal fees and the WA Planning Commission. The budgeted contribution of the WA Planning Commission to the Tribunal for the period to 31 December 2003 will be \$500,000. On Page 809, the Tribunal costs are included in Output 1, Statutory Planning. The actual expenditure will be dependent upon the workload of the Tribunal.

The 2003-04 budget estimate represents funding to 31 December 2003 after which the function is to be transferred to the State Administrative Tribunal under the Department of Justice.

Supplementary Information No B22.

Question: Mrs C.L. Edwardes asked whether the Minister could provide details of the number of appeals remaining in the Minister's office.

Answer: Thirty (30) appeals, as at 6 June 2003.