

SENIORS, NEW RETIREMENT UNITS, NORTH WEST

1070. Mr L. Graham to the Minister representing the Minister for Housing and Works; Local Government and Regional Development; the Kimberley, Pilbara and Gascoyne

I refer to the recently announced six new retirement units built in Narrogin as part of the Housing and Works' 2001-02 building program, which has built a total of 309 seniors' units throughout the State, and I ask -

- (a) how many of the 309 seniors' units have been built in the North West of the State;
- (b) in which towns and communities were the units built;
- (c) who was responsible for administering the funds; and
- (d) when did the programs commence and complete operation in each town referred to above?

Ms A.J. MacTIERNAN replied:

- (a)-(d) I advise the following projects specifically for seniors have/will commence for the following annual capital works programs in the North West –

2000/2001

Broome

Six units administered by the Department of Housing and Works which commenced in April 2001 and completed in December 2001.

2001/2002

Exmouth

Nine units by Joint Venture with the Shire of Exmouth. The project – administered by the Department of Housing and Works – commenced in May 2002 and completed in December 2002.

Kalbarri

Four units by Joint Venture with the Shire of Northampton. The project – administered by the Department of Housing and Works – commenced in March 2002 and completed in October 2002.

2002/2003

Carnarvon

Two units administered by the Department of Housing and Works commenced in December 2002 and are scheduled to be completed in July 2003.

Carnarvon

Five units by Joint Venture with the Gascoyne Memorial Foundation. The project – administered by the Department of Housing and Works, is scheduled to commence in 2003.

In addition, negotiations are under way with the Shire of Roebourne to construct six units by Joint Venture in Karratha – this project may commence in 2002/2003.

The 26 unit “Broometime Lodge” has been acquired in 2002/2003 and it is likely some of the users of the facility will be seniors.