

EAST PERTH POWER STATION, CONSULTATION

3025. Mr J.P.D. Edwards to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

I refer to the Minister's statement on 23 November 2003 in which she claimed that 'Community consultation to determine an end use will commence in the New Year with local residents, interest groups and relevant Government organisations' and ask -

- (a) were local residents consulted in the New Year about their views for the future of the East Perth Power Station;
- (b) which interest groups have been consulted and when;
- (c) which Government organisations have been or will be included in the consultative process;
- (d) what is the proposed time frame for the consultative process;
- (e) will the Minister provide a copy of the Conservation Policies which are guiding the conservation and re-use of this significant State industrial heritage icon;
- (f) is the Conservation Plan for this publicly owned State heritage icon available for purchase;
- (g) if not, will the Minister ensure that copies are available on request for purchase or loan by interested parties; and
- (h) if not, why not?

Ms A.J. MacTIERNAN replied:

- (a) Yes, preliminary consultation with local residents and interest groups regarding the future of the East Perth Power Station site commenced in June and has recently been completed. This preliminary consultation will be followed by a three month open community consultation period following the release of a draft masterplan later this year.
- (b) The interest groups which have already been consulted and the time of this consultation is as follows:
 - Heritage Stakeholders including representatives from the National Trust, Labour History Society, Historic Machinery Preservation Club, Royal Australian Institute of Architects (Heritage Panel), Engineers Australia (Heritage Committee) on Thursday 10 June 2004.
 - Claisebrook Catchment Group on Wednesday 23 June 2004.
 - East Perth Business Network on Monday 14 June 2004.
 - Banks Precinct Action Group on Thursday 24 June 2004.
 - Residents of Belvidere (Claisebrook Village, East Perth) on Thursday 8 July 2004.
- (c) Government organisations that have been consulted with to date, and that will continue to be consulted with, are:
 - Local Government:
 - City of Perth
 - Town of Vincent
 - State Government
 - Public Transport Authority
 - Department for Planning and Infrastructure
 - Heritage Council of WA
 - Main Roads WA
 - Department of Environmental Protection
 - Department for Culture and the Arts
 - Western Australian Museum
 - Swan River Trust
 - Western Power
 - AlintaGas
- (d) In terms of timeframe, preliminary consultation has already commenced. The purpose of the preliminary consultation is to assist in the shaping of a draft masterplan for the East Perth Power Station site as a whole.

Following the release of a draft masterplan later this year, a formal three month community consultation process will take place where all members of the community will be encouraged to participate and have their say regarding future uses for the site. A final masterplan will be released at the end of the year.

- (e) Yes, copies of conservation documents can be provided. There are five reports that the Heritage Council considers to be the key documents for the site. These are:
- East Perth Power Station Heritage Significance Assessment (Godden Mackay Logan, 1992)
 - East Perth Station Conservation Plan (Vols 1 & 2 Bodycoat & Richards, Vol 3 L.Tweedie, 1993)
 - Report on East Perth Power Station (Dolan, 1998)
 - Government Heritage Property Disposal Report - East Perth Power Station (Dolan, 2001)
 - East Perth Power Station Conservation Issues - Post Inspection Report (Godden Mackay Logan, 2002)
- (f) Copies can be made available for viewing or copying if required.
- (g) Copies of the reports are already available for viewing on request at the East Perth Redevelopment Authority and at the Heritage Council.
- (h) Not applicable.