

“A SEA CHANGE FOR AQUATIC SUSTAINABILITY” — MARINE PLANNING DISCUSSION PAPER

404. Hon SALLY TALBOT to the Minister for Environment:

- (1) Has the minister seen the paper “A Sea Change for Aquatic Sustainability” produced by the Department of Fisheries?
- (2) Does the minister agree with the assumptions made in the paper about the basis for a new marine planning framework?
- (3) Is the minister contemplating changes to the concurrence mechanism that currently applies to marine planning?

Hon DONNA FARAGHER replied:

I thank the member for her question.

- (1)–(3) I think the document to which the member is referring is the discussion paper that has been released by the Department of Fisheries for public comment. The Department of Environment and Conservation will be providing advice, as part of that review, to Fisheries as well. At this stage I am certainly not aware of any change to the concurrence powers for the establishment of the marine park. However, I ask that the member also direct her question to the Minister for Fisheries, who is the most appropriate person, given that it is within his portfolio.