

PERTH STADIUM

157. Mr P.B. WATSON to the Minister for Sport and Recreation:

I refer to the comments today by the Leader of the National Party that there has not been enough transparency around the privatisation of Fremantle port and the same arguments that have been levelled at the deal around Perth Stadium. Will the minister now release all details concerning Perth Stadium so that they can be openly and honestly assessed?

Ms M.J. DAVIES replied:

This government has a very good track record in providing information on Perth Stadium. A significant amount of information about contracts has been put into the public realm. No, I will not be releasing information before we conclude —

Several members interjected.

The SPEAKER: Member for Victoria Park, I call you to order now for the third time.

Ms M.J. DAVIES: I will not be releasing information before we have concluded negotiations involving the operator of the stadium and key stakeholder agreements. We are still in a period of negotiations. We as a government are looking through and discussing with all stakeholders what can be made public beyond the end of those negotiations and we intend, when we can and when we are not breaching any agreement with those stakeholders, to release as much information as possible. I have had that conversation and raised that issue with the Treasurer already. Until we reach that point, we will not release more information to the public, because we are in negotiations.