

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

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**HOMESWEST HOUSING — DALYELLUP**

3117. Dr S.C. Thomas to the Minister for Housing and Works

With regards to the town site of Dalyellup, I ask:

- (a) how many three bedroom Homeswest homes are occupied in Dalyellup;
- (b) how many four bedroom Homeswest homes are occupied in Dalyellup;
- (c) how many Homeswest homes are currently under construction in Dalyellup;
- (d) when East Dalyellup has been completed, how many homes will Homeswest have within the entire town site; and
- (e) how many people are on the wait list for the town site of Dalyellup?

Mrs M.H. ROBERTS replied:

The Department of Housing and Works advises:

- a) As at 31 January 2008 the Department had 27 three bedroom properties occupied.
- b) As at 31 January 2008 the Department had 12 four bedroom properties occupied.
- c) The State Government has committed more than \$655 million to provide more affordable social housing. This investment will contribute towards delivering at least 1124 more social housing units over four years. In Dalyellup there are currently 24 Homeswest homes under construction.
- d) The development plan for the balance of East Dalyellup is not finalised however it is anticipated there will be approximately 950 to 1000 dwellings with the Department acquiring land for 80 to 100 social housing dwellings.
- e) Dalyellup is in the Bunbury preference area. As at 31 January 2008 there were 485 applications for the Bunbury preference area. Within the Bunbury preference area, the Department is operating both a construction and purchase program to increase social housing numbers.

**SCHOOLS PLANNED FOR CONSTRUCTION WITHIN NEXT THREE YEARS**

3127. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Minister for Education and Training

- (1) How many schools are planned for construction by the Department of Education and Training in WA within the next three years?
- (2) Where will these schools be located?

Mr M. McGOWAN replied:

- (1)-(2) The State Government has announced that 15 schools will be built over the next three years.

These schools will be built in the localities of Australind, Bunbury, Clarkson, Craigie, Dalyellup, Darch, Fitzroy Crossing, Girrawheen, Greenwood, Karratha, Lockridge, Lynwood, Madeley, Safety Bay and Success.

**DEANMORE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

3128. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Minister for Education and Training

- (1) How many of the classrooms at Deanmore Primary School that were closed last year because of building issues, such as asbestos, concrete cancer and unpleasant odours, have been re-opened and are now fully operational?
- (2) How many classrooms are still closed?
- (3) Of those in question (2), what work is still to be done before these rooms are re-opened?

Mr M. McGOWAN replied:

- (1) Three classrooms.
- (2) Five classrooms.
- (3) The outstanding work includes the replacement of window panels in four classrooms and the identification and rectification of an unpleasant odour in these classrooms. The window panels are

scheduled to be replaced during the April school holidays whilst decommissioned drains outside of affected classrooms were filled with concrete last week.

#### TRAFFIC LIGHTS — MOUNT RICHON

3143. Mr A.J. Simpson to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

In reference to the planned traffic lights at the intersection of Bedfordale Hill Road / William Street / South Western Highway in Mount Richon, can the Minister advise:

- (a) why work has failed to commence, when the Minister assured in a letter dated 23 February 2007 that these lights would be completed before the end of June 2007; and
- (b) when is it expected that these traffic lights will be installed and operational;
- (c) if the Minister cannot provide an answer to (b), why has no approximate date for completion been established?

Ms A.J.G. MacTIERNAN replied:

- (a) I am advised by Main Roads that it regrets the previously planned project completion date could not be met. Delays have been experienced in negotiating service relocations, combined with design changes to include retaining walls and a crash barrier that were recommended through the public consultation process and availability of work crews.
- (b)-(c) Civil construction work in conjunction with signal installation is expected to commence early in the new financial year. This is the earliest the City of Armadale's workforce will be available. The signals will then be commissioned following connection by Western Power.

#### CONTRACT FOR ABORIGINAL CULTURAL AWARENESS TRAINING

3144. Dr K.D. Hames to the Minister for Corrective Services

Minister, I note that Dreamtime Consultancy was awarded a contract for Tender No. 2997/2007 for Aboriginal Cultural Awareness Training on 17 January 2008 and ask:

- (a) who were the other six tenders from;
- (b) how much was each tender;
- (c) what does the Aboriginal Cultural Awareness Training entail;
- (d) where will the training take place;
- (e) how many people will participate in the training;
- (f) how many indigenous people will participate in the training;
- (g) what percentage of the contract is allocated to administration and travel;
- (h) what other contracts were allocated to the Dreamtime Consultancy; and
- (i) how much were the contracts for?

Ms M.M. QUIRK replied:

- (a) The State Supply Commission has advised that "Normal practice is not to release this information as unsuccessful tenderers object on the basis that it gives their competitors information that negatively impacts on them commercially for future work. The information that must be released in accordance with the State Supply Commission on Open and Effective Competition is the name and total contract price or total estimated contract price of the successful bidder."  
This is the only information that is publicly available, and the Department has complied with the policy above by this response.
- (b) See (a) above.
- (c) To enable Departmental staff to effectively engage with Aboriginal offenders to assist in reducing the level of participation of Aboriginal people in the justice system.
- (d) Principally the course will be conducted at the Corrective Services Academy.
- (e) It is estimated that up to 5000 participants could attend the training courses. This has been calculated as roughly 250 courses of up to 20 persons per course over a 5 year period.
- (f) Although the Department is unable to estimate the participation at this time, it is hoped that there will be some participation from the Indigenous community.