

Hon David Templeman MLA Minister for Tourism; Culture & the Arts; Heritage

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Hon Michelle Roberts MLA Speaker of the Legislative Assembly Parliament House 4 Harvest Terrace WEST PERTH WA 6005

Dear Madam Speaker

TABLING OF 2020-21 ANNUAL REPORT - DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, SPORT AND CULTURAL INDUSTRIES

As stated in Section 65 of the *Financial Management Act 2006*, if a Minister is unable to cause the tabling of an annual report within the prescribed 90-day period following the end of the financial year, the Minister must inform both Houses of Parliament on or before that period.

In accordance with this, on 16 September 2021, on my behalf, the Treasurer advised both Houses of Parliament that the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries (DLGSC) would be unable to meet the prescribed tabling deadline because of a loss of 12 days preparation time as a result of the last sitting date of Parliament in September 2021 being 16 September. A revised anticipated tabling date of 12 October 2021 was provided.

Since seeking this extension, I have been advised that the DLGSC's 2020-21 Annual Report and the opinion of the Auditor General will not be ready for tabling by this date due to delays arising from the audit process that are outside the control of DLGSC.

I wish to advise that it is now anticipated that DLGSC's 2020-21 Annual Report will be tabled in both Houses of Parliament on or before 11 November 2021.

Yours sincerely

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HON DAVID TEMPLEMÁN MLA

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