

CULTURE AND THE ARTS — CONTEMPORARY MUSIC FUND

4791. Mr A. Krsticevic to the Minister for Culture and the Arts:

I refer to the Contemporary Music Fund and ask:

- (a) Who is on the panel considering the grant applications and how were they appointed;
- (b) When were the individuals appointed to the panel to determine the grant applications;
- (c) Is the Minister on the grants panel;
- (d) Does the Minister have to sign off on the grants panel determinations; and
- (e) Will all of the \$500,000 allocated for the Contemporary Music Fund in the 2018–19 State Budget be distributed by 30 June 2019:
 - (i) What will happen to monies in the budgeted \$500,000 allocation not distributed by 30 June 2019?

Mr D.A. Templeman replied:

- (a) The Contemporary Music Fund grant program offers grants in two categories: U15k, and; 15k-plus. The U15k is assessed internally by Departmental staff, through the process introduced under the previous Government for small scale grants. The 15k-plus will be assessed by a panel of peer assessors.
- (b) Panel members have not yet been appointed.
- (c) No.
- (d) The Minister or his delegate will approve the grant panel determinations.
- (e) The Department expects that the \$500,000 allocated for 2018–19 will be spent in 2018–19.
 - (i) The Department would request the funds be carried forward.