

TOWN OF VICTORIA PARK — LOCAL PLANNING STRATEGY

160. Mr D.A. Templeman to the Minister for Planning:

I refer to the Town of Victoria Park's Local Planning Strategy (LPS) and Local Planning Scheme No. 2 (LPS2), and ask:

- (a) is the Minister aware of the Town of Victoria Park's Local Planning Strategy and Local Planning Scheme No. 2, forwarded to the Department in May 2010;
- (b) is the Minister aware that the Department has not responded to the Town of Victoria Park regarding the LPS and LPS2;
- (c) is the Minister aware that the Town of Victoria Park cannot advertise the LPS and LPS2 without the Department's permission; and
- (d) can the Minister advise why it has been three years since the Town of Victoria Park's LPS and LPS2 was sent to the Department and to date no response has been received?

Mr J.H.D. Day replied:

- (a) Yes.
- (b) The Department of Planning has been liaising with the Town of Victoria Park for clarification and further information on a number of matters.
- (c) Consent to advertise a local planning scheme is the responsibility of the Minister for Planning with a recommendation having been provided by the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC). A local planning strategy requires certification by the WAPC before it can be advertised.
- (d) While there has been no determination as yet, liaison with the Town has occurred and site visits have been undertaken by Department of Planning staff. Clarification and further information was requested by the WAPC on a number of matters, some of which is still outstanding. The primary reason for delay was due to the need for the Town to review its commercial strategy. The Town has only recently completed this work and provided the Department of Planning with a draft of this document on 15 May 2013. The assessment process is now progressing accordingly.