

LOCAL GOVERNMENT STANDARDS PANEL — ANNUAL REPORT

4194. Mr A. Krsticevic to the Minister for Local Government:

I refer to the Local Government Standards Panel Annual Report 2017–18 and ask of the 15 complaints the body refused to deal with:

- (a) what reasons were provided by the panel for its decision to not deal with the complaints;
- (b) which local governments were involved in those 15 complaints;
- (c) please list the reasons and the relevant local government for the 15 complaints the panel decided not to consider; and
- (d) did any agency or department subsequently deal with the complaints:
 - (i) if yes, which agency and department; and
 - (ii) what were the outcomes of those dealings for each complaint?

Mr D.A. Templeman replied:

- (a)–(c) Under section 5.110(3A) of the *Local Government Act 1995*, the Local Government Standards Panel can refuse to deal with a complaint if the panel is satisfied that the complaint is frivolous, trivial, vexatious, misconceived or without substance.
- (d) (i)–(ii) Neither the Standards Panel nor the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries are aware of any other agency or department subsequently dealing with the complaints.