

PORT KENNEDY DEVELOPMENT, NEW PROPOSAL, ASSESSMENT BY EPA

2330. Hon Jim Scott to the Minister for Local Government and Regional Development representing the Minister for the Environment

- (1) Is the Minister aware that a new proposal has been submitted to the Government for the Port Kennedy Development, south of Rockingham?
- (2) In view of its potential impact on the Shoalwater Islands Marine Park and the Becher Point Ramsar site, will the Minister ensure that this proposal is formally assessed by the Environmental Protection Authority?
- (3) If not, why not?

Hon TOM STEPHENS replied:

The Minister for the Environment has provided the following response:

- (1) I am aware that the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) has received a Revised Development Plan for Kennedy Bay.
- (2)-(3) The EPA has previously formally assessed the Port Kennedy Regional Recreation Centre in 1989 and a Change to Environmental Conditions for the Regional Recreation Centre Stage 1 Boundary, Port Kennedy in 1994. In view of the previous formal assessments undertaken by the Authority, the EPA will determine if the Revised Development Plan for Kennedy Bay can be formally assessed. Section 38(5j) of the Environmental Protection Act 1986 provides that a proposal cannot be referred to the Authority more than once. If the EPA concludes that it is a proposal that can be referred, then the EPA will determine if formal assessment is warranted and if so the level of public consultation.