

BALLAJURA YOUTH CLUB — FUNDING

159. Ms R. Saffioti to the Minister representing the Minister for Youth
- (1) I refer to the Ballajura Youth Club and Labor's election commitment to provide recurrent funding of \$70,000 per annum for the next five years, and to provide land adjacent to the Ballajura Community College to enable construction of permanent premises, and I ask:
- (a) will the current Government match Labor's funding commitment to the Ballajura Youth Club; and
  - (b) will the minority Government provide the necessary land in order for the Club to construct permanent premises?

Dr G.G. JACOBS replied:

- (1) (a)-(b) The Ballajura Youth Centre, also known as the Dungeon, is an excellent provider of important and valuable services for young people in Ballajura. The Community Service Grant Funding Program is the only program within the youth portfolio which provides recurrent funding to organisations such as the Dungeon. Unfortunately, this program was fully allocated prior to the election of the current Government.
- However, the Office for Youth administers the Youth Grants WA program and the Minister for Youth has asked the Office for Youth to meet with the Dungeon to explore funding opportunities from this and other potential government sources.