

ABORIGINAL CULTURAL CENTRE — SITE

**689. Hon NEIL THOMSON to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Culture and the Arts:**

I refer to the recent announcement to build an Aboriginal cultural centre in front of Perth Concert Hall.

- (1) Noting the challenges around the activation of the CBD's north-south axis along William Street, did the minister consider a site nearer Elizabeth Quay or at the Perth Cultural Centre?
- (2) Has there been a comprehensive urban planning assessment of visitation, activation and foot traffic for the current site?
- (3) If yes to (2), would the minister please table that?
- (4) If no to (3), why not?

I might get an answer today.

**The PRESIDENT:** You might get an answer.

**Hon SAMANTHA ROWE replied:**

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question and provide the following answer on behalf of the Minister for Culture and the Arts.

- (1) No. The shortlisted sites were selected based on available crown land and proximity to the Derbarl Yerrigan.
- (2)–(4) Not at this time. This will be developed over the next two years of planning. The announcement of the site is one of the milestones of the planning process. The business case will determine the size and scale of the building, which, in turn, will allow for the modelling of the elements asked by the member.