

BUNBURY — SPORTING AND RECREATION FACILITIES

4808. Mr M.P. Murray to the Minister for Sport and Recreation

Given that Hay Park, Bunbury's main sporting complex, and the Leschenault Leisure Centre in Australind are both operating at full capacity, I ask:

- (a) as the lead agency responsible for the implementation of government policy and initiatives, and given that the Greater Bunbury Regional Scheme does not have strategy to build another recreation centre, what strategy does the Department of Sport and Recreation have to meet the growing demand of the region; and
- (b) has any funding been allocated for the provision of a new recreation centre in the Bunbury Region; and
 - (i) if so, how much; and
 - (ii) if not, why not?

Mr T.K. WALDRON replied:

- (a) Responsibility for planning community sporting facilities rests with each local government authority. The Department works in partnership with those local governments, sporting associations and other government agencies on identifying the need for and planning of facilities.
- (b) No
 - (i) Not applicable
 - (ii) The Department of Sport and Recreation facilitated the Greater Bunbury Sports Facilities Plan 2009 (stage 1) in partnership with the local authorities in the region with a view to identify existing facilities and uses as well as potential future sporting requirements and indicative timelines.

The department's South West office have also coordinated a joint discussion with the three local governments, however no application has been submitted by any of the Local Governments for such a facility at this point in time.