

SCIENCE COUNCIL

**204. Mr P.D. OMODEI to the Premier:**

I ask a supplementary question. Will the Premier retain the Science Council?

**Mr A.J. CARPENTER replied:**

We will continue to have a body that oversees -

**Mr P.D. Omodei:** Yes or no?

**Mr A.J. CARPENTER:** We will continue to have a body that oversees the development of science and innovation, in the same form. However, I want to broaden its purview. I want to broaden the areas that it is involved in. We have been involved in discussions. It is no secret. The chair of the Science Council, Dr Ian Constable, has a close connection with this chamber -

**Dr E. Constable:** Don't quote me!

**Mr A.J. CARPENTER:** Please ask! We have made no secret of the fact that we are changing the way we are addressing this issue, and that is a good thing. The chair of the Science Council is working on those changes.