

CULLACABARDEE ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY — DEPT OF INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS VISITS

460. Ms R. Saffioti to the Minister for Indigenous Affairs

With regard to the Cullacabardee Aboriginal community, I ask:

- (a) can the Minister provide a list of times and dates that the Department of Indigenous Affairs visited the community in the past 12 months;
- (b) what were the reasons for the visits;
- (c) can the Minister provide a list of times and dates when the Department of Indigenous Affairs had telephone communication with residents from the community; and
- (d) what were the reasons for this communication?

Dr K.D. HAMES replied:

(a)-(b) 7 January 2008 — To assess fire damage to bush adjacent to housing.

14 January 2008 — Fire management meeting with representatives from the Fire and Emergency Services Authority in relation to Cullacabardee.

5 March 2008 — Fire management issues.

20 March 2008 — Meeting with Chairperson, Cullacabardee Management Committee.

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2 April 2008 — Meeting with Chairperson, Cullacabardee Management Committee.

8 April 2008 — Provision of agenda papers for interagency meeting.

9 April 2008 — Interagency meeting.

7 May 2008 — Discussions concerning a performance in a play about Aboriginal deaths in auto accidents.

9 May 2008 — Meeting concerning demolition of damaged houses.

24 June 2008 — Meeting with Chairperson, Cullacabardee Management Committee.

2 September 2009 — Inspect house fire.

8 October 2008 — Preparations for Aboriginal Lands Trust (ALT) estate tour on 10 December 2008.

30 October 2008 — Preparations for ALT estate tour on 10 December 2008.

25 November 2008 — Preparations for ALT estate tour on 10 December 2008.

10 December 2008 — ALT estate tour.

16 December 2008 — Meeting with representatives from the Department of Housing to discuss housing issues.

26 February 2009 — Meeting with Chairperson, Cullacabardee Management Committee, to discuss issues raised in article that appeared in *The West Australian* newspaper.

Department of Indigenous Affairs officers have also attended Cullacabardee on various occasions over the past four months to discuss street lighting repairs with community representatives.

(c)-(d) The resources required to extract this information are too great. If the Member has a particular concern over a specific telephone conversation I would be pleased to investigate and provide an answer.