

**BUSH FOREVER SITES**

6333. Hon Sally Talbot to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Planning

- (1) How many Bush Forever sites were acquired in —
  - (a) 2007–8;
  - (b) 2008–9;
  - (c) 2009–10;
  - (d) 2010–11; and
  - (e) 2011–12?
- (2) For each of these sites, please provide its name, location, size and cost of acquisition (including details of compensation paid to landowners).
- (3) How much in total has been spent on acquiring Bush Forever land since the inception of the plan?
- (4) Did all this money come from the Metropolitan Region Improvement Fund (MRIF)?
- (5) If no to (4), how much came from the MRIF and what were the other sources of funding?
- (6) Which Bush Forever purchases still need to be completed?
- (7) For each of these sites, please provide its name, location, size, cost (including details of compensation paid to landowners) of the acquisition or partial acquisition if whole site not acquired, likely cost of acquiring remaining locations within each partially acquired site and expected date of completion of purchase.
- (8) Of the sites acquired between 2007 and 2012, which ones have had their initial capital works involving site protection—for fencing, signage, gates—completed?
- (9) Who funded these initial capital works?
- (10) Which acquired sites have not had these initial capital works completed?
- (11) For sites which have not had this initial site protection work completed, when is that work due for completion?

Hon HELEN MORTON replied:

- (1)
  - (a) 2
  - (b) 7
  - (c) 4
  - (d) 5
  - (e) 4
- (2) [See paper 5373.]
- (3) The Western Australian Planning Commission has spent (or is contracted to settle) \$101 726 474 purchasing Bush Forever areas that were not already reserved for Parks and Recreation in the Metropolitan Region Scheme when the policy was formulated.
- (4) Yes
- (5) Not applicable
- (6)–(11) Considerable research would be required to provide this information. I am not prepared to allocate resources to provide this information at this time. However, it is proposed to undertake a site-by-site review of Bush Forever next year, which was proposed when the policy was introduced, and this will provide a comprehensive report on each site including identification of land remaining to be acquired.