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MUSEUM — RELOCATION

366. Hon BARBARA SCOTT to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Culture and the Arts:

- (1) Of the \$500 million budget announced for the museum to be built on the old East Perth power station site, what is the amount allocated for museum buildings?
- (2) What is the amount allocated for non-building infrastructure development, including site development costs; services; access infrastructure, including bridges; wharf or port works etc; and toxic waste removal?
- (3) Is any part of the budget allocated to relocate substation power distribution infrastructure?
- (4) What is the allocation for exhibition fit-out?
- (5) Is the \$500 million inclusive of recurrent funding for project development staff; and, if not, what amount will be required for project development staff for the life of the project?

Hon SALLY TALBOT replied:

On behalf of the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, I thank Hon Barbara Scott for some notice of this question. The minister has provided an answer as follows —

- (1) The government has allocated \$505 million to the development of Western Australia's museum of the twenty-first century. This includes design, construction, headworks, site works, exhibition fit-out, furniture, fittings, professional fees and factoring for cost escalation to cater for a construction commencement date of 2012.
- (2) Bridges, wharf/port works and toxic waste removal do not fall within the remit of the Western Australian Museum.
- (3) No, the substation is not part of the new Museum site.
- (4) Work on the exhibition fit-out will be subject to contract tenders and approximately \$77 million of the \$505 million has been notionally allocated.
- (5) Yes.