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OFFICE OF LAND AND HOUSING SUPPLY

301. Hon SALLY TALBOT to the minister representing the Minister for Planning:

I refer the minister to the proposed new Office of Land and Housing Supply.

- (1) How many staff will be employed in the new office?
- (2) Where will those staff come from and what will be their designated roles?
- (3) In which department will the new office be located?
- (4) What will be the parameters against which the effectiveness of the new office will be measured?

Hon ROBYN McSWEENEY replied:

I thank the member for some notice of this question.

- (1) Initially two, but up to four, staff members will be assigned to work on tasks for the Office of Land and Housing Supply. This number will be reviewed periodically on the basis of need and tasks at hand.
- (2) Staff necessary to support the office and focus on the key issue of land and housing supply will be retasked from within the Department of Planning as projects are completed or substantially completed. There will be a coordinator, team leader, and two team members with expertise in planning and economics.
- (3) The Department of Planning.
- (4) The Office of Land and Housing Supply will measure its success based on an assessment of land and housing supply indicators, including conditional and final subdivision approvals. However, the detailed key performance indicators are under development and will be incorporated into the Department of Planning's performance indicators once finalised and supported by the Minister for Planning.