

FISHERIES — FINFISH NURSERY — GERALDTON

3373. Hon Colin de Grussa to the minister representing the Minister for Fisheries:

I refer to the Asset Investment Program in the *2020–2021 Budget Paper No. 2, Volume 1*, page 237 and the 2019–2020 actual expenditure in relation to the Geraldton Finfish Nursery, and I ask, can the Minister please explain why the actual expenditure of \$291,000 is \$397,990 less than the total expenditure of \$668,990 indicated in question on notice 6224, asked in the Legislative Assembly in relation to the Finfish Nursery?

**Hon Alannah MacTiernan replied:**

The total expenditure of \$668,990 indicated in question on notice 6224, refers to the total expenditure to date at the time the question was raised. That expenditure was funded predominately through the Royalty for Regions contribution with some funds for seawater trials accounted for through the Department of Primary Industries and Resources Research and Development operating budget. The actual expenditure of \$291,000 referred to in the 2020–2021 Budget Paper No. 2, Volume 1, page 237 is for the 2019–2020 period only and so, unlike question on notice 6224, does not account for expenditure in previous financial years.