

FARMLANDS WATER SCHEME

1250. Hon DARREN WEST to the minister representing the Minister for Water:

I refer to the recently announced farmlands project in the wheatbelt.

- (1) What is the total advertising budget of this project?
- (2) How much has been spent so far on advertising —
 - (a) in print;
 - (b) online;
 - (c) on radio; and
 - (d) on television?
- (3) Given this is a maintenance project, why is this program being advertised?

Hon KEN BASTON replied:

On behalf of the Minister for Water, I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

- (1) It is 50 000.
- (2)
 - (a) The amount of \$14 000;
 - (b) the amount of \$8 500;
 - (c) the amount of \$6 850; and
 - (d) nothing.
- (3) The farmlands project includes 64 kilometres of pipe replacement, repairing around 7 500 pipe joints and smart water meter installations for farmlands' customers. A key objective of the advertising is to engage local contractors to maximise local content and delivery of the project. It is also seeking to remind the community to reports leaks in the system.