

WATER — WATER SUPPLY — HAMLET GROVE ACCESS, KIMBERLEY

3788. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Water:

I refer to the water supply that runs from the Derby Highway, alongside the Derby Gibb River Road to Mowanjum, and I ask:

- (a) is the water supply provided via this pipeline able to be accessed by residents of the Hamlet Grove suburb;
- (b) if yes to (a), to whom does a resident make application to be connected to this pipeline;
- (c) if no to (a), why not; and
- (d) if yes to (a), what is the anticipated cost of a single dwelling connection to this water main?

Hon Ken Baston replied:

The Minister for Water has provided the following response.

- (a) Not without a significant upgrade.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) The lots at Hamlet Grove were approved by the Western Australian Planning Commission in 1985 without a requirement for a reticulated water supply. The water main that runs along the Gibb River Road was not designed to service Hamlet Grove. Without a significant upgrade, additional connections would cause unacceptably low water pressure in other parts of the scheme, in particular the Mowanjum community, during peak demand.
- (d) Not applicable.