

PICABAR — PERTH CULTURAL CENTRE PRECINCT

1032. Hon TIM CLIFFORD to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Culture and the Arts:

I refer to the government's recent decision to terminate the lease of Picabar in the Perth Cultural Centre Precinct.

- (1) Does the minister consider three weeks a reasonable time frame for a business to vacate after having held the lease since 2012?
- (2) When will the expression of interest be released and how long will it be open for?
- (3) Could the minister please provide details of any restrictions on who can submit expressions of interest?
- (4) What is the duration of the lease being offered under the EOI process?
- (5) Is the EOI process a part of a longer formal tender process?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

- (1) The current operator does not need to vacate the premises. The current operator is encouraged to participate in the upcoming expression of interest process.
- (2) The EOI will be released at the end of November 2018 and will be open for six weeks.
- (3) There will be no restrictions. It will be an open tender for a cafe bar facility.
- (4) The duration of the lease is to be negotiated.
- (5) Yes.

The PRESIDENT: Hon Tjorn Sibma.

Hon TJORN SIBMA: I have been advised that the government is not in a position once again to answer one of the questions I submitted, so I will do it tomorrow.

The PRESIDENT: We look forward to that.