

HOUSING — SOUTH WEST SURVEY

394. Hon Adele Farina to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing:

I refer to the South West region housing needs survey currently being conducted by the South West Development Commission, and I ask:

- (a) when will the survey be completed;
- (b) what is the purpose of the survey and its terms of reference;
- (c) will the findings of the survey be made public; and
- (d) when will a report outlining the findings of the survey be completed and made public?

Hon Ken Baston replied:

The Department of Housing advises:

- (a) The assessment will be completed by November 2013. It was initially anticipated that the assessment would be completed in October 2013, however, broader input has been sought and received from local communities requiring additional coordination and analysis.
- (b) The purpose of the study is to:
 - Undertake a comprehensive assessment of current and future housing needs in the South West region;
 - Incorporate innovative analysis models of future housing needs; and
 - Identify measures to address housing diversity and mix, housing affordability, and housing for people with special needs, particularly older people.[See paper 1089] for the study's terms of reference.
- (c) Once relevant findings and recommendations have been considered by government, appropriate information and consultation will occur with stakeholders, including the community, around any proposed actions.
- (d) Not applicable.