

ABORIGINAL CULTURAL CENTRE - CARNARVON

538. Hon KEN BASTON to the Minister for the Kimberley, Pilbara and Gascoyne:

Further to the minister's media statement of 14 June 2006, which announced funding of \$612 000 for the Carnarvon Aboriginal cultural centre, and the reply to question 515 of 22 June 2006 -

- (1) Given that the maximum level of pay of the centre manager is level 7 in the public service, which equates to approximately \$314 636 over four years, and that \$25 000 has been provided for the manager's office fit-out, leaving a \$272 364 residual sum, how will this residual sum be used and what amounts have been allocated for specific purposes?
- (2) In what field will the trainee mentioned in the minister's press release be trained, what will be the salary of the trainee and will that salary be found from the current funding allocation?

Hon JON FORD replied:

I thank the member for some notice of this question.

- (1) The balance of funding will cover on-costs for the centre manager's position. Utilities, rates and security costs are also to be drawn from this funding. There is also the possibility of remuneration or allowances for board members - not so much fees, but the covering of people's expenses, as I said in answer to the earlier question. At this stage, specifically identified recurrent costs over the next four years are approximately \$130 000 on-costs for the manager's position and \$80 000 for utilities, rates and security. The interim management board, once operational, will prepare a detailed budget, which will confirm specific costs as well as fit-out costs, revenue streams and other capital fund sources from the commonwealth and the state.
- (2) Details of the proposed position are still being developed. Possible areas include administration, financial controls, tourism and the arts. External funding will be sought for this position.