

SHELTER WA — WA HOUSING HUB

106. Hon LYNN MacLAREN to the Minister for Housing:

I refer to the WA Housing Hub launched this morning by Shelter WA at the Perth Town Hall.

- (1) Is there widespread sector support for this application?
- (2) How does this collaboration of industry, service providers and government improve housing for people in WA?
- (3) Does the minister support long-term funding to assist the ongoing operation of this essential tool?

Hon COL HOLT replied:

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

- (1) Yes. Approximately 200 people from the housing and homelessness services sectors attended the launch and provided positive feedback on the website's applications.
- (2) The WA Housing Hub website will enable Shelter WA to engage with a wide range of housing and homelessness stakeholders; facilitate discussion by exchanging knowledge; develop partnerships through forums and sharing of information; and provide a directory of housing options and resources.
- (3) Shelter WA has a \$3.9 million contract for five years with the Department of Housing to provide a range of services that engage and influence housing and homelessness stakeholders. The WA Housing Hub is one of the key mechanisms to assist this process.