

CITY OF MELVILLE — INQUIRY

**1271. Hon SIMON O'BRIEN to the Leader of the House representing the Attorney General:**

I refer to the draft report of the Department of Local Government's authorised inquiry into the City of Melville.

- (1) Has the draft report been referred to the Solicitor-General for review; and, if so, on what date and by whom?

**The PRESIDENT:** Leader of the House —

**Hon SIMON O'BRIEN:** I barely got started.

**The PRESIDENT:** I did not realise it was a multipart-er, member.

**Hon SIMON O'BRIEN:** I am just cranking up, Madam President. Wait until I get to part (3)!

**Hon Peter Collier** interjected.

**Hon SIMON O'BRIEN:** Order, please! My question continues —

- (2) What was requested of the Solicitor-General in connection with this draft report, including a date for response?
- (3) Has the Solicitor-General provided advice, including any interim or preliminary advice, on this matter; and, if so, on what date, to whom and by what means—for example, phone, email et cetera?

**Hon SUE ELLERY replied:**

- (1)–(3) No, the draft report has not been referred to the Solicitor-General for advice. All further questions regarding this matter should be directed to the Minister for Local Government.

**Hon Simon O'Brien:** Yesterday, you told me it was with the Solicitor-General.

**Hon Stephen Dawson:** I think it was the State Solicitor he said.

**Hon SUE ELLERY:** Just check the answer. If it is wrong, I will seek to get further information, but I think it is different.

**The PRESIDENT:** I give the call to Hon Dr Steve Thomas now that we have had that little bit of clarification.