

GOLDFIELDS–ESPERANCE DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION — REGIONAL BLUEPRINT

838. Hon ROBIN CHAPPLE to the minister representing the Minister for Regional Development:

I refer to the article in *The Kalgoorlie Miner* on Saturday, 16 November 2013, titled “Regional blueprint”.

- (1) Who was the decision-maker that let the tender to Creating Communities for the Goldfields–Esperance Development Commission regional blueprint?
- (2) Was a competitive tender process entered into for GEDC’s regional blueprint?
- (3) If no to (2), why not?
- (4) Was a consultant or person employed by either GEDC or the Kalgoorlie–Boulder Chamber of Commerce and Industry Ltd to identify, recommend or chose a suitable consultant to develop GEDC’s regional blueprint?
- (5) If yes to (4), who was that consultant or person?

Hon KEN BASTON replied:

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

- (1) Creating Communities was engaged by the Kalgoorlie–Boulder Chamber of Commerce and Industry Ltd under the terms of a memorandum of understanding between the chamber and the Goldfields–Esperance Development Commission.
- (2) No.
- (3) The Kalgoorlie–Boulder Chamber of Commerce and Industry was the engaging organisation.
- (4)–(5) It was done collaboratively between the Goldfields–Esperance Development Commission and Kalgoorlie–Boulder Chamber of Commerce and Industry in partnership under a memorandum of understanding.