

CARNARVON RECREATIONAL FISHING ADVISORY COUNCIL

**44. Hon RICK MAZZA to the Minister for Fisheries:**

Thank you, Mr President.

I refer to question without notice 22 of yesterday, 16 February 2016, in which I asked about the Carnarvon Recreational Fishing Advisory Council.

- (1) Can the minister advise what position he held, if any, on the Carnarvon Recreational Fishing Advisory Council?
- (2) If the minister held a position on the council, can he please advise the dates of his tenure?
- (3) If the minister was a member of the council, what was the minister's position on the use of fish traps while on that committee?

**Hon KEN BASTON replied:**

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

- (1) I can confirm that I have served as both a member and chair of the Carnarvon Regional Recreational Fishing Advisory Committee.
- (2) I served on the committee from the late 1990s until around the end of 2001. I was elected chair of the committee on 12 June 1998 and chaired my final meeting on 9 November 2001 prior to stepping down from this position. If the honourable member requires the precise dates of my appointments, please put the question on notice and I will take the time to retrieve the information from the archives.
- (3) As the commercial fishing industry had phased out the use of fish traps in the Gascoyne region by the late 1980s, I had no cause to have a position on the use of fish traps during my time on the committee.