

DUMAS HOUSE — UPGRADE COSTS

5299. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Finance

- (1) What is the current estimated cost to upgrade Dumas House in terms of —
 - (a) refit and refurbish for additional departments and agencies;
 - (b) ensuring compliance with current Western Australian and National building codes and disability access codes;
 - (c) installation of fire sprinkler systems; and refurbishment of the building exterior?
- (2) What is the current estimated cost to upgrade Hale House in terms of —
 - (a) refit and refurbish for additional Departments and Agencies;
 - (b) ensuring compliance with current WA and National building codes and disability access codes;
 - (c) installation of fire sprinkler systems;
 - (d) installation of air-conditioning systems; and
 - (e) refurbishment of the building exterior?
- (3) What are the costs to upgrade AB Facey House in terms of —
 - (a) refit and refurbish for additional Departments and Agencies;
 - (b) ensuring compliance with current WA and National building codes and disability access codes;
 - (c) installation of fire sprinkler systems;
 - (d) installation of air-conditioning systems; and
 - (e) refurbishment of the building exterior?

Hon SIMON O'BRIEN replied:

- (1) (a) The approved budget to upgrade Dumas House is \$55.8 million (excluding GST). However as with any project of this scale and complexity, particularly involving a heritage building, cost variations are encountered.

Variations to date include a higher than expected tender (\$1.24 million), plus \$1.58 million of base build variations, including toilet upgrades (\$390,000), fire systems (\$700,000) and work to the ceilings (\$490,000).

The final cost will not be known until construction is complete.
- (b)–(c) The costs for these items are incorporated within the building contract and are not in a format that allows the particular item costs to be readily extracted.
- (d) The approved budget is \$8.9 million. This figure is included in the total figure in 1 (a) above.
- (2) (a) The approved budget to upgrade Hale House is \$25.5 million (excluding GST). The works are in progress and the project is tracking within budget.
- (b) See (d)–(e).
- (c) There is no requirement under the Building Code of Australia for fire sprinklers to be installed. Other fire fighting systems are provided in accordance with relevant building codes and regulations.
- (d)–(e) The costs for these items are incorporated within the building contract and are not in a format that allows the particular item costs to be readily extracted.
- (3) (a) The approved budget to upgrade Albert Facey is \$33.6 million (excluding GST). Works on this project are complete and total costs are being finalised. The project is tracking within budget.
- (b)–(e) The costs of these items are incorporated within the building contract and are not in a format that allows the particular item costs to be readily extracted. .