

SOUTH WEST DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION — EXPENDITURE

643. Hon Adele Farina to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Regional Development:

I refer to the South West Development Commission endorsed expense limit and note that the 2012–13 budget estimate was exceeded by more than \$1.5 million in the reported actual cost of services for 2012–13, what was the cause of this cost blow out?

Hon Ken Baston replied:

The expense limit has increased due to the sale of surplus land and allocation of proceeds to Cabinet endorsed projects, as well as timing variations on committed expenditure.