

TELECENTRES — REGIONAL WESTERN AUSTRALIA

189. Hon HELEN BULLOCK to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Regional Development:

I refer to the parliamentary secretary's comments in this house on Thursday, 22 April 2010 that by the end of 2010 nine new telecentres would be established in regional Western Australia.

- (1) Where exactly will the nine new telecentres be established and what is the population of each town?
- (2) In establishing new telecentres, has the government undertaken any community consultation to gauge whether these services are needed; and, if not, what criteria were used to choose each particular location?

Hon WENDY DUNCAN replied:

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

- (1) Nine new telecentres will be established by the end of 2010. Boddington, with a population of 1 545, has been announced and other announcements will be made in due course.
- (2) An expression of interest is received from each centre and a full application includes a community needs survey.