

LOCAL PROJECTS, LOCAL JOBS PROGRAM — RECIPIENT ORGANISATIONS —  
 ACQUITTAL PROCESS

1273. Hon Tjorn Sibma to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Local Government:
- (1) I seek details concerning the acquittal process, including the information provided by recipient organisations regarding the funding they received via that portion of the Local Projects Local Jobs (LPLJ) scheme administered by the department, in particular I ask:
- (a) was there a standard form provided to all recipient organisations to acquit the LPLJ revenue they received against their expenditure;
  - (b) what standard documents were each recipient organisation obliged to provide the department prior to/after LPLJ funds were released;
  - (c) by when was this information required by the department;
  - (d) did the department undertake any audits to confirm the accuracy of acquittal documentation submitted by recipient organisations;
  - (e) did any organisation's project expenditure deviate from the purpose for which the grant was provided, or from the amount provided by the department by an amount of five percent or more (in either direction);
  - (f) if yes to (e), what are the details; and
  - (g) whenever there was concerns arising from the acquittal information submitted by a recipient, how were concerns followed up, and what was the outcome?
- (2) Will the Minister please identify the project, recipient organisation and associated funding for acquittals that are/were:
- (a) thirty to forty four days overdue;
  - (b) forty five to fifty nine days overdue;
  - (c) sixty to eighty nine days overdue; and
  - (d) over ninety days overdue?
- (3) Are any acquittals presently outstanding and, if so, which project and organisation is involved?

**Hon Sue Ellery replied:**

- (1) (a) Yes.
- (b) All recipients were obligated to provide a standard project outline, relevant support material and financial information prior to funds being released. An acquittal report and a statement of income and expenditure certified by the organisation's authorised signatory, was completed to acquit the grant funds.
- (c) The standard project outline form was required to be submitted prior to release of the funds. The standard acquittal form was required to be submitted within two months of the project end date.
- (d) All grants are subject to audit by the Office of the Auditor General.
- (e) No.
- (f) Not applicable.
- (g) The grantee would be contacted by an officer to resolve the concern if it arose.

- (2) (a)

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| Carramar & Tapping Residents Association Incorporated | Administration Support –laptop and website | \$2 000   |
| City of Armadale                                      | Install fencing at Armadale Dog Park       | \$40 000  |
| City of Joondalup                                     | Upgrade of Thornton Park, Kinross          | \$110 000 |
| City of Gosnells                                      | Appledore Street Reserve – Park Upgrade    | \$50 000  |
| City of Swan  | Hazelmere Hall refurbishment               | \$100 000 |

- (b) Nil.

(c)

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| Roleystone Theatre Inc                | Bio Box Upgrade (sound and lighting equipment upgrades) | \$12 600 |
| The Maylands Business Association Inc | Maylands Streetscape Master Plan                        | \$10 000 |
| City of Swan                          | Replace and upgrade Stratton Community Centre           | \$85 000 |

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| Bassendean Preservation Group Inc          | Purchase Sea Container  | \$6 300  |
| Perth Veterinary Bill Assistance           | Perth Vet Bill Assistance Grant to upgrade printing capabilities and vet medical treatments | \$5 000  |
| Armadale Community Animal Rescue Group Inc | Armadale Animal Rescue  | \$15 000 |
| Kalamunda Community Learning Centre Inc    | Upgrade and repair access to disabled toilets   | \$15 000 |
| Town of Bassendean                         | Repair and upgrade to Senior Citizens Centre  | \$30 000 |

(3) No.