

LOCAL GOVERNMENT — SANDFIRE ROADHOUSE

648. Hon Robin Chapple to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Local Government:

I refer to Sandfire Roadhouse located at Eighty Mile Beach, Western Australia, and ask:

- (a) is the Minister aware that the Sandfire Roadhouse recently had their rates adjusted;
- (b) if no to (a), why not;
- (c) will the Minister advise what the rates were prior to the adjustment and what they are now;
- (d) if no to (c), why not;
- (e) will the Minister provide an explanation for the adjustment; and
- (f) if no to (e), why not?

**Hon Sue Ellery replied:**

- (a) No.
- (b) The approval to change the method of valuation of the Sandfire Roadhouse was published in the Government Gazette No. 47 on Tuesday, 28 February 2017. This was prior to the 2017 State Election.
- (c) 2016–17:           \$3,701.00  
2017–18:           \$9,068.20.
- (d) Not applicable.
- (e) While this change occurred under the previous Government, I am advised by the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries that the Department approved (under delegation) the Shire of Broome's application to change the method of valuation for the Sandfire Roadhouse to Gross Rental Value on the basis that the predominant use of the land is non-rural. This approval was made in accordance with the Local Government Act 1995 and Departmental Policy.
- (f) Not applicable.