

FREMANTLE NETBALL ASSOCIATION — PAVILION

**862. Hon PETER COLLIER to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Sport and Recreation:**

I refer to question without notice 839 asked on 19 September 2018 regarding the Fremantle Netball Association pavilion for the southern suburbs netball hub.

- (1) Can the minister confirm that under the community sporting and recreation facilities fund guidelines, funds will not be available for projects that have state government funding in excess of 66.66 per cent of the total project cost?
- (2) Can the minister confirm that the state government's contribution to this project exceeds the guidelines and that the state's contribution to this project is 81.81 per cent?
- (3) On what basis did the Premier announce in October 2017 that the government has fulfilled its election commitment to provide \$1.8 million to the Fremantle Netball Association, given the CSRFF advisory committee did not meet until 6 December 2017 to consider applications and make recommendations, and the minister did not approve the project until 21 February 2018?
- (4) Why does the Minister for Sport and Recreation's media release dated 26 February 2018 announcing the latest round of funding under the CSRFF, and the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries' website, not include this project in the list of successful grants for the 2018–19 round?

**Hon SUE ELLERY replied:**

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

- (1) The community sporting and recreation facilities fund guidelines, which are considered by the department in its assessment of projects, provide that the state will fund up to two-thirds of a project. The minister, as previous ministers have done, allocated a larger proportion of state government funding to deliver this election commitment to the benefit of netball families in the southern suburbs.
- (2) The minister approved the waiving of the maximum state funding contribution to deliver on the government's election commitments. The waiving of this condition is not unprecedented.
- (3) The \$1.8 million contribution to the Fremantle Netball Association was an election commitment to a facility serving the growing southern suburbs and used by approximately 5 000 women and girls on a weekly basis. Upon coming to government, further project planning was undertaken. This formed the basis of the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries' recommendation to the minister that that the project was ready to proceed. The Premier then announced this in October 2017.
- (4) The media release of 26 February 2018 listed the projects approved by the minister on 19 January 2018. The Fremantle Netball Association project was approved by the Minister on 21 February 2018.