

PORT HEDLAND VOLUNTARY BUYBACK SCHEME

415. Hon Dr STEVE THOMAS to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Ports:

I refer to the Port Hedland voluntary buyback scheme. As at 31 July 2021 —

- (1) what is the totality of funding the state government has either allocated or received to the industry funded PHVBS;
- (2) what, if any, financial contribution has the state made;
- (3) how many properties are eligible for inclusion in the PHVBS; and, of those, how many properties have expressed an interest in participating in the scheme; and
- (4) how many properties have accepted offers under the PHVBS, and to what value?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

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

- (1) The total value of Port Hedland voluntary buyback scheme contributions received to 30 June 2021 is \$22 980 million.
- (2) The Port Hedland voluntary buyback scheme is to be fully funded by industry.
- (3) Approximately 426 residential properties are eligible to participate in the PHVBS. Of these, 70 per cent of eligible properties are engaged in the process.
- (4) In total, 45 eligible properties have accepted offers and progressed to contract.