

PERTH FESTIVAL — *CORNUCOPIA*

1083. Hon Dr Steve Thomas to the minister representing the Minister for Tourism:

I refer to the media statement titled ‘Bjork’s star power to light up Perth Festival in Australian exclusive’, and I ask:

- (a) did Tourism Western Australia and or Lotterywest provide any funding for Bjork to attend the 2023 Perth Festival and perform Cornucopia;
- (b) if yes to (a), how much funding was provided, and will the Minister table a copy of the funding agreement;
- (c) how much funding has Tourism Western Australia and or Lotterywest provided in total towards the 2023 Perth Festival; and
- (d) will the Minister table a breakdown of these costs, and, if not, why not?

Hon Alannah MacTiernan replied:

- (a) Tourism Western Australia advises it is providing funding to Perth Festival who are using those funds towards the headline event for Perth Festival 2023, Björk’s *Cornucopia*.
- (b)–(d) In relation to the sponsorship funding agreement between Tourism Western Australia and Perth Festival, Tourism Western Australia has assessed this information as being confidential and commercially sensitive. Disclosure of this would reveal information about the commercial affairs of Perth Festival and could adversely affect those affairs and those of the State. Accordingly, it is not appropriate to table this information. Both houses of Parliament and the Auditor General will be notified that this part of the question will not be answered as per Section 82 of the *Financial Management Act 2006*.