

COLLIE FUTURES INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT FUND

**1029. Hon Dr STEVE THOMAS to the Minister for Regional Development:**

I refer to the Collie Futures industry attraction and development fund.

- (1) What is the total amount that has been made available under this fund since its inception?
- (2) What is the balance of unallocated or uncommitted moneys remaining in the fund?
- (3) What projects have received funding from the fund and to what value each?
- (4) What new full-time, part-time and casual positions have been created within each project funded within (3)?

**Hon ALANNAH MacTIERNAN replied:**

I thank the member for the question.

- (1)–(4) The Collie Futures industry development fund has a total of \$78.1 million. So far, the allocation for publicly announced projects is \$40.74 million, again, noting that quite a number of applications are currently under consideration. Major projects include the fire and emergency service centre, nearly \$14 million; the Collie emergency service vehicle manufacturing plant, which is currently, I understand, out for advertising for recruiting 17 positions; and of course projects such as the fabulous Wellington Dam mural, which has been an extraordinary success in bringing people into town, so much so that we have people from neighbouring towns complaining that too many people are going to Collie! I table the full allocations under that scheme to date.

Because of the large volume of information required to respond to (3), an answer to that will be provided on 2 December.

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