

EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES PROGRAM — FUNDING

**151. Hon DONNA FARAGHER to the minister representing the Minister for Community Services:**

I refer to the answer provided to question without notice 122, asked yesterday, about community centres funded under the Empowering Communities program.

- (1) Why were nine centres offered only a 12-month extension to their service agreement, rather than a five-year extension like other centres?
- (2) Can the minister confirm that the centres that have been offered only a 12-month extension are centres that had successfully transitioned into the Empowering Communities program by 30 June 2022?

**Hon JACKIE JARVIS replied:**

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. The following response has been provided by the Minister for Community Services.

- (1)–(2) The Department of Communities advises that all community centres that were offered a 12-month extension transitioned into the Empowering Communities program on 1 July 2022. Consideration for further extensions is subject to the requirements that the community centres continue to meet the Empowering Communities program outcomes.