

# **Premier of Western Australia**

Our ref:

24-544789

Hon Ken Travers MLC Chairman **Estimates and Financial Operations Committee** Legislative Council Parliament House Perth WA 6000

Dear Mr Travers

I refer to email correspondence dated 28 May 2015 from your Committee Clerk, Mr Warner seeking answers to two questions on notice as part of your Committee's Budget Estimates Hearings.

Please find enclosed answers to those questions.

Yours sincerely

Colin Barnett MLA **PREMIER** 

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# **Department of the Premier and Cabinet**

## Hon Ken Travers asks -

**1.** Was any work undertaken in Mr Buswell's office during his time as Treasurer or Minister for Transport on the possible sale of either all or part of the Fremantle Port?

This question should be directed to the Minister for Transport, Hon Dean Nalder MLA as the matters relate more directly to the Minister's portfolio responsibilities.

2. If yes, what specific work was undertaken?

Not applicable.

3. Who undertook the work?

Not applicable.

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Budget Paper 2 Volume 1, Spending changes table, page 65, line 9: Hon Lynn McLaren asked -

- 4. In regard to the line item 'Shark Hazard Mitigation Program Beach Enclosures', for which \$400,000 is allocated in 2015-16 budget
  - a. Have any coastal locations been chosen for these enclosures, and if so which?

Answer: Several coastal locations are under consideration and preliminary discussions are being held, but no decisions have been made at this time.

b. If no to a), what will be the process for deciding which locations receive this funding?

Answer: In making a decision on location of beach enclosures the Government will consider, amongst other things, the findings of the Hydrobiology Review completed in September 2014 in which potential locations are identified, input from Surf Life Saving WA, preparedness of Local Government Authorities to install enclosures and representations already made to Government by several Local Government Authorities on implementation of enclosures. It is noted that the Hydrobiology Review is available from the Science page on the Department's website.

c. Will the Government place any restrictions on the type of enclosure or design that can be funded?

Answer: No. As per the arrangements put in place for the \$200,000 provided to the City of Busselton in 2014 for the installation of an additional enclosure, the process for selecting the enclosure is entirely with the relevant Local Government Authority with the Government not recommending one enclosure over another.

d. If yes to c), why?

Answer: Not applicable.

e. What is the estimated total cost, including installation and ongoing annual costs of one of these enclosures?

Answer: The Government is making a contribution of \$200,000 towards an enclosure, any costs above this amount will be incurred by the Local Government Authority.

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