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Department of Sport and Recreation

HON GIZ WATSON MLC ASKED -

1. I refer to page 8 of the Premier's Budget Speech which states the Government's Community Development Investment Fund will invest \$10 million in 2010-11 and support the not-for-profit organizations:
 - 1.1 Are sporting groups eligible to apply for the low interest loans?
 - 1.2 What are the eligibility criteria for the low interest loans?
 - 1.3 What are the reporting criteria for the low interest loans?
 - 1.4 Who will manage the fund?

Answer:

The Department of Sport and Recreation is not appropriated for and does not administer the Governments Community Development Investment Fund. It is suggested that the Department of Premier and Cabinet would be best placed to answer questions about this fund.



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2. I refer to page 12 of the Premier's Budget Speech which states the Government will provide \$85M over 4 years under the Regional Benefits Agreement to contribute to the social, health and economic needs of our Indigenous in the Kimberly:

2.1 What percentage is specifically allocated towards sport and recreation facilities and programs, for Indigenous in the Kimberley region?

2.2 What are the sport and recreational facilities and/or programs aimed at contributing to the social and health needs of our Indigenous in the Kimberley region?

Answer:

The Department of Sport and Recreation is not appropriated for and does not administer the Regional Benefits Agreement. It is suggested that the Department of Indigenous Affairs or Royalties for Regions would be best placed to answer questions about this agreement.

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3. According to volume 2, part 9, page 506 of the State's Budget there is decline in the levels of physical activity within the general population:

3.1 What is the projected expenditure on advertising and public awareness programs aimed at promoting physical activity within the general public?

Answer:

The delivery of advertising is through the WA Department of Health which currently outsources and promotional campaigns relevant to physical activity to the National Heart Foundation.

The Physical Activity Taskforce (PATF) now has a revised brief and focus on cross government policy and program coordination and response in relation to physical activity; there is no PATF investment in direct advertising or promotion.

Much of the 2010-11 \$63.750million service appropriation for the Department is directed to improving State-wide community participation in sport and recreation. For example, the \$25million allocation to the Community Sporting and Recreation Facilities Fund is used to offer community facilitates for sport and recreation activities.

Over \$5million of the Department's direct services promote inclusion and activity, examples include the award winning projects for CaLD communities. In addition the \$3.4million for recreation camps offers community recreational experiences, particularly to young people.

The \$13.347million Sports Lotteries Account fund grants programs like the Club Development Officer Scheme which is where a lot of grass roots work is done to engage communities with sport and recreation opportunities in their local area.

The Departments website is a community resource which is used by the public to connect and engage with sport and recreation. "Clubs On Line" is a great example.

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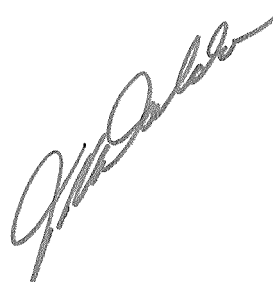
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3.2 How much of the education budget is allocated towards promoting physical activity within our schools?

Answer:

The Department of Sport and Recreation does not administer the Education budget. It is suggested that the Education Department would be best placed to answer questions about the budget.

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4. I refer to page 21 of the Budget Overview where the Government has allocated \$977M towards Pilbara Cities. What percentage of this allocation is for sport and recreation resources and infrastructure?

Answer:

The Department of Sport and Recreation does not administer the allocation of funds for Pilbara Cities. It is suggested that the Department of Regional Development and Lands would be best placed to answer questions about the allocation.

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5. I refer to page 24 of the Budget Overview where the Government has allocated \$5M over the next three years to the Clontarf Aboriginal College:

5.1 Is this an increase or decrease from previous budget allocations?

5.2 Has the Government allocated a similar amount towards similar programs for girls?

5.3 If so, what is the amount and the program/s specifically for girls?

Answer:

The Department of Sport and Recreation does not administer the allocation for Clontarf Aboriginal College. It is suggested that the Education Department would be best placed to answer questions about the allocation.

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6. I refer to page 5 of the Premier's Budget speech and the Government's partnership building policy that is focused on improving the welfare and wellbeing of people, in particular the need to address community safety by expanding youth justice services:

6.1 Does the expansion of youth justice service programs include the improvement of sport and recreation facilities and programs, within high risk areas?

6.2 If so, can you outline which facilities and programs have received a funding boost?

Answer:

The Department of Sport and Recreation does not administer the youth justice service programs. It is suggested that the Department of Correctional Services would be best placed to answer questions about the programs.

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7. People from culturally and linguistically-diverse backgrounds (CaLD) and indigenous Australians can be vulnerable to social and structural disconnection. Research shows participation in sport provides increased opportunities for them to connect with the wider community:
- 7.1 What percentage of the sport and recreation budget is specifically aimed at programs and services to improve the awareness and participation of people from:
- a) CaLD; and
 - b) Indigenous backgrounds in sport?

Answer:

The Department of Sport and Recreation 2010-11 service appropriation is \$63.750million. This includes \$25million for the Community Sporting and Recreation Facilities Fund and \$13.347million from the Sports Lotteries Account.

In addition the Sports Wagering Account, which is administered by the Department of Racing and Gaming, provides funds that are directed to sport and recreation grants.

The Department estimates that 8% of Consolidated Fund non salary appropriations are directed to Community Inclusion programs and services. 15.5% of Sports Lotteries and 32% of Sports Wagering are specifically directed to CaLD and Indigenous projects.

The tables below illustrate:

Through Sports Wagering Account (SWA) balance of \$2,850,000

CALD specific projects	\$350,000 or 12.3% of SWA
Indigenous specific projects	\$423,000 or 14.8% of SWA
Community Participation Funding (Indigenous and CALD)	\$150,000 or 5.3% of SWA

Note: Some projects subject to further approval.



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Sports Lotteries Account (SLA) – Budget \$13,347,000

Inclusive Sport Funding	Budget of \$400,000 or 3% with approx 2/3 to be allocated to CALD and indigenous
Indigenous	Budget of \$500,000 or 3.7%
Organisational Sustainability Program	OSP budget is \$5.750 mil. Estimated component directed towards inclusion practices = 20% of or 8.6% of SLA budget
Country Package	800,000. Estimated component directed towards inclusion practices = not less than 25% or 1.5% of SLA budget

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