

ESTIMATES AND FINANCIAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE AND ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

13. *Has the Yanchep Beach Joint Venture offered to make a contribution valued at \$200 million triggered by a commitment from the Government to deliver rail to Yanchep by an agreed date?*

Answer:

While discussions have occurred between Yanchep Beach Joint Venture (YBJV) and the PTA, they are commercial in nature and the PTA is not in a position to publically disclose the details of these discussions.

14. *If yes, what was included in the contribution of \$200 million?*

Answer:

Please refer to the response provided at Question 13.

15. *Why has the Government not accepted this offer?*

Answer: Discussion between YBJV, the Department of Transport and the PTA are ongoing and remain commercially sensitive. The PTA continues to develop a Project Definition Plan for the extension of the rail from Butler to Yanchep.

On what basis are you not able to disclose this information? Has the Yanchep Beach Joint Venture requested that this information be kept confidential. Please indicate on what date(s) discussions have taken place between Yanchep Beach Joint Venture and the PTA. Why is this information not able to be provided to the Committee along with a request for the information to be given a private status.

Please also indicate whether you intend to table a notice pursuant to section 82 of the Financial Management Act 2006 advising the Parliament of your intention to not provide this information to the Committee.

Answer:

The PTA is not aware of any formal submissions or binding commitment from the Yanchep Beach Joint Venture (YBJV) to Government regarding a funding contribution towards the proposed Yanchep Rail Extension.

Discussions between officers of the PTA, YBJV and its consultants have focused primarily on land requirements and construction design issues associated with the planned rail extension and its integration with the proposed Yanchep City Centre.

Most recently YBJV wrote to the City of Wanneroo to further articulate its proposal, including acknowledging the potential \$120 million 'cash and in kind' offer noted above. This letter, which also identifies a potential alternative proposal for a 1/3 sharing of costs between the State and Federal Governments and developers along the rail extension north of Butler is publicly available on the City of Wanneroo's website attached to the Minutes of the Council meeting from 24 May 2016 (see from page 47 and Attachment 1 at the link below)

http://wanneroo.infocouncil.biz/RedirectToDoc.aspx?URL=Open/2016/05/OC_24052016_AGN_AT_SUP.PDF



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The PTA notes that there is no certainty around the proposed contributions from YBJV, and that further negotiations would need to be undertaken in order to reach agreement on any costs and ensure a binding commitment. Such negotiations will be subject to Government priorities on the timing of the potential rail extension.

There is no intention to table a notice under Section 82 of the Financial Management Act 2006 as there has been no intention not to provide the information requested either in the original or subsequent question asked by the committee.

