

- (2) Are the cull quotas for the Western Grey Kangaroo being achieved?
- (3) Is damage still occurring to Native Vegetation due to the overpopulation of the Western Grey Kangaroo?

Mr D.A. TEMPLEMAN replied:

- (1) Yes. The Western Grey Kangaroo Management Plan covers the management of the species in Western Australia. The three stated aims of the plan, being to maintain populations of the species across its natural range in Western Australia in an ecologically sustainable manner; to mitigate damage caused by Western Grey Kangaroos; and to provide for commercial utilisation of harvested animals, have been achieved.
- (2) The commercial harvest of Western Grey Kangaroo in Western Australia for 2006 was 169,168 animals. This was 87% of the allowable quota which is acceptable within the overall aims of the plan. Achievement of quota harvest levels is dependent on kangaroo populations as well as seasonal factors, shooter availability and market demand.
- (3) Most damage issues occur on the edges between developed and more natural areas and also where pastures are grown adjacent to bushland. Damage is primarily to crops, pastures and fences, but some damage to native vegetation occurs where kangaroo densities are high. Kangaroo harvesting can reduce, but not eliminate, damage in such areas.

#### MANEA COLLEGE, BUNBURY - CONSTRUCTION

1818. Mr G.M. Castrilli to the Minister for Education and Training

- (1) When was the land for Manea College, being 2 to 3 hectares on the Edith Cowan University (ECU) South West Campus Site, identified?
- (2) How was the original \$14 million cost of Manea College arrived at, as stated in the 2005-2006 budget?
- (3) Has the College been increased in size from the original intentions/concept in 2005-2006?
  - (a) If so, how?
- (4) Has the College been decreased in size from the original intention/concept in 2005-2006?
  - (a) If so, how?
- (5) Why was the 2006-2007 budget increased by \$3 million for Manea College and how was this figure determined?
- (6) Will the Minister outline exactly, with a detailed explanation, all components where the cost increases occurred from the original budget of \$14 million in 2005-2006.
- (7) What planning of Manea College was completed in 2005-2006 and 2006-2007?

Mr M. McGOWAN replied:

- (1) The land for Manea College was identified during the early phase of the consultation process in 2005.
- (2) The original allocation of \$14 million was based on the cost of a similar scope of work in 2004 escalated to an anticipated tender date in 2006.
- (3) No. (a) Not applicable
- (4) No. (a) Not applicable
- (5&6) Delays associated with the initial investigations and negotiations with the location of the new senior college and the consequential escalation in building costs resulted in the need to revise the budget allocation. The revised cost estimate was provided by the architect's cost planner.
- (7) Investigations and negotiations regarding location, project consultation, the development of a schematic design and design development were undertaken in 2005/06 and 2006/07. It is anticipated that construction will be commenced in July this year and be completed by January 2009.

#### BUNBURY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL - UPGRADE

1822. Mr G.M. Castrilli to the Minister for Education and Training

- (1) Have the plans for the new library and upgrade of Bunbury Senior High School been completed?
- (2) If not, why not?
- (3) Have the architect's plans and building specifications for the library and upgrade of Bunbury Senior High School been completed?

- (4) If yes to (3), has the tender been awarded and to whom?
- (5) If no to (3) and (4), why not?
- (6) When is the start date of the construction phase of the library and upgrade for Bunbury Senior High School?
- (7) What is the anticipated completion date of the works for Bunbury Senior High School?
- (8) Is the budget of \$1.5 million still sufficient funding to complete the library and upgrade to the original specifications?
- (9) If no to (8), what is the appropriate current budget?
- (10) What is the exact reason for any variance, broken down into individual component parts?
- (11) Has the original project been varied in scope in any way from the promises made in 2005?
- (12) If yes to (11), please outline any variances to the project and plans and the reason for any such variances?

Mr M. McGOWAN replied:

- (1) No
- (2) The City of Bunbury requested a land swap for the benefit of the local community that required a reserve to be changed. This required approval by Parliament and was completed on 10 November 2006.
- (3) No.
- (4) Not applicable.
- (5) The project was delayed due to the formation of the site. The project is currently in the design development stage.
- (6) Subject to the receipt of a favourable tender result, it is anticipated that work will commence in July 2007.
- (7) The anticipated completion date is February 2008.
- (8)-(9) The funding available for the project is \$1.875 million. The sufficiency of the budget will depend on the tender result.
- (10) Not applicable.
- (11) In early 2005, the Project Consultation Group resolved that the scope of the project would provide for a new library resource centre.
- (12) Not applicable.

#### GOVERNMENT VEHICLES - GAS/PETROL HYBRID CARS

1834. Mr A.J. Simpson to the Premier

- (1) Can the Premier advise how many Members of Parliament have taken up the option of using a gas/petrol hybrid car as their lease vehicle?
- (2) Can the Premier provide the names of those Members who have taken up this option?

Mr A.J. CARPENTER replied:

Department of the Premier and Cabinet advises:

As at 7 March 2007:

- (1) 7
- (2) Tony Simpson MLA  
Hon Alannah MacTiernan MLA  
Hon Judy Edwards MLA  
Hon Ken Travers MLC  
Hon Giz Watson MLC  
Hon Jon Ford MLC and  
Hon Louise Pratt MLC.

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