LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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QUESTION WITHOUT NOTICE (Of which some notice has been given)

Wednesday, 26 October 2011

Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister representing the Minister for Housing.

With regard to the housing development funded by Royalties for Regions in Thompson Street, Wiluna, answer to Question Without Notice of the 30th August 2011 to the Minister for Housing and the Kalgoorlie Miner article of 22/09/2011 entitled "Cost blow-out for housing 'debacle", I ask:

- (1) Why did the development blow out by \$257,000?
- (2) What is the estimated cost of the damage sustained by these houses?
- (3) Why is the Department of Housing's Government Regional Officers Housing revenue funding picking up the shortfall and not the Royalties for Regions fund?
- (4) Why was no licence to build these buildings required from the Wiluna Shire?
- (5) Who was responsible for oversight of these constructions?
- (6) When will or has the construction recommenced?

I thank the Hon. Member for some notice of this question.

- (1) The additional costs to complete these properties arise from works required to finalise construction and associated remedial work.
- (2) There is no estimated cost of damage. The repair of any damage incurred is included in the costs to complete construction.
- (3) The Department will endeavour to cover any extra costs through the project budget, which was funded by Royalties for Regions.
- (4) The Department has obtained a 'Building Compliance Certificate' for these dwellings in accordance with the legislated process.
- (5) The Department of Housing.
- (6) Practical Completion is scheduled for 2012.

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