LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Question on Notice

Tuesday, 24 March 2015

2920. Hon Robin Chappie to the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs.

I refer to a proposal to establish two Indigenous Visitor Hostels in Broome through the Royalties for Region Program, for which \$13 million was allocated in 2010 to 2013, and I ask:

- (a) has construction of the hostels commenced:
- (i) if yes to (a), what stage has the construction reached; and
- (ii) if no to (a), why not and when will construction commence;
- (b) if construction of the hostels has not gone ahead, has the Government set aside the \$13 million for this purpose:
- (i) if no to (b), why not and what has the \$13 million been used for;
- (c) what has been the State's expenditure on addressing homelessness in the Kimberley region during the past five years, by department;
- (d) is the Minister aware that homelessness has been reported by the Human Rights Alliance as being 17 times the national average and that most of those affected are Aboriginal; and (e) could the Minister please indicate the latest consolidated plan for addressing the high levels of homelessness in the Kimberley, and the cost?

Please refer to Legislative Council Question on Notice 2919.

Minister for Aboriginal Affairs