

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
Question Without Notice

Wednesday, 24 May 2017

C126. Hon Robin Chappie to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs

I refer to my question last week concerning site 11943 Two Mile Ridge and the Minister's response, which stated:

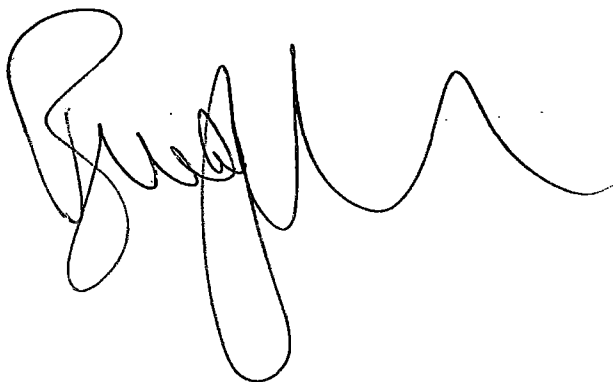
"In 2016, the Department of Aboriginal Affairs approved a grant to repair the fence as an interim measure while a broader management plan is developed for the site with Aboriginal Traditional Owners."

And I ask:

1. On what date was the money granted?
2. To which person or organisation was the money granted?
3. What, if any, works have so far been carried out at the site and if none, where has the money been spent?
4. Have discussions with Traditional Owners been entered into *"to develop a broader management plan"* for the Two Mile Ridge heritage site?
5. Why is the fence still down?

Answer

- (1-5) The Department of Aboriginal Affairs offered a grant to the Marapikurrinya Aboriginal Corporation in June 2016. Ongoing discussions have occurred with the Marapikurrinya Aboriginal Corporation regarding the release of the funds and the project management plan. The funds have not yet been released by the Department of Aboriginal Affairs and no work has been carried out to date. The Department of Aboriginal Affairs is continuing to work with the Marapikurrinya Aboriginal Corporation to release the grant and complete the works as soon as possible.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'G. Chappie', written in a cursive style.