

14. Was the Treasurer provided an early draft or interim report on the Two Ways Together Report on Indicators 2009 before allocating the Aboriginal Affairs Budget of \$26.9 million? If no, what general information was provided to Treasury in Aboriginal Affairs NSW's budget submission to the Treasurer?

The agency regularly provides information to NSW Treasury in relation to its forecast financial position. Further advice is also provided through NSW Government Budget and planning processes including reporting on the agencies Results and Services Plan. The agencies 2010 - 2011 funding allocation was determined prior to the release of the TWT Report on indicators.

15. How many Aboriginal Economic Development Officers does Aboriginal Affairs NSW fund and support?

The Economic Development Officers have been funded by the Australian Government Department of Employment, Education and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) through the Emerging Indigenous Entrepreneurs Initiative. Industry and Investment NSW manages four positions and Aboriginal Affairs manages six positions.

16. What role has Aboriginal Affairs NSW played in the Aboriginal Resources and Pathways Project and the ADHC Aboriginal Policy Framework?

The role of Aboriginal Affairs NSW is to work across government to identify opportunities for agencies to work more effectively together to overcome systemic barriers to improving the wellbeing of Aboriginal people. Meeting the needs of Aboriginal clients is core responsibility of each agency. As such Aboriginal Affairs NSW does not have a direct role in the development of ADAHC projects or policies.

17. What is the funding allocation for the Family Records Unit in the current budget?

The 2010/11 budget allocation for the Family Records Unit is \$215,975. Additional to this direct budget allocation is provision for shared corporate costs and services.

18. Will the Minister outline some the projects undertaken in the last financial year under the Aboriginal Communities Development Program and how the \$5.3 million allocated to the program in the budget will be spent?

During the 2009/10 financial year, a number of projects were progressed under the Aboriginal Communities Development Program, including:

- Commenced construction of 3 new houses in Dareton;
- Completed repairs and maintenance of 21 dwellings in Menindee;
- Completed construction of 2 dwellings in Bourke and start the construction of another 2 dwellings;
- Completed construction of 2 dwellings in Brewarrina and start the construction of another 3 dwellings;
- Finalised the purchase and refurbishment of the last dwelling;
- Completed the construction of last 6 dwellings and the roadworks;
- Completed the construction of last 3 dwellings and repairs and maintenance of 10 dwellings in Tabulam;
- Transferred funds to Brewarrina Business Centre to commence landscaping/pool in Weilmoringle;
- Ongoing works with Housing for Health;
- Commenced feasibility works with Tingha Sewerage Scheme; and
- Ongoing feasibility works with Wallaga Lake and Bodalla Sewerage Schemes.

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