Planning

Questions on Notice

Mr HIBBINS: Thank you, Minister and your team, for appearing this evening. I would like to ask about the development facilitation program which you know is of interest to my community given there is one at 196 High Street, Windsor, that is under consideration. But overall how many projects have been considered by that particular program so far?

Mr WYNNE: No, sorry. Hang on. Let me be clear. Commencement of a total of 45 applications were received, with a combined investment value of \$5.37 billion, and 23 proposals were recommended for priority assessment and determination.

Mr HIBBINS: Okay. And how many of those proposals were rejected by a local council?

Mr LYNGCOLN: I do not have a figure for how many were rejected as such. A lot of them were not necessarily at a point where a decision had been made, so they either were still with a council and were perhaps out of time for a council to make a decision. Some of them had been referred to VCAT and so the matters were sitting within VCAT but were not due to be considered for some time, and so they were recommended for intervention as well. I would have to take on notice how many had had a decision from the council where the council had knocked it back.

Mr HIBBINS: Yes. How many have had a decision from council? How many have had a decision or were sitting with VCAT?

Mr WYNNE: We will happily provide that to you.

Response:

Of the 23 proposals recommended for priority assessment and determination:

- 14 were before VCAT,
 - o nine of these had council support; and
 - five of these did not have council support;
- Eight were wholly new proposals requesting government assistance via the Development Facilitation Program (DFP); and
- One proposal was a new request via the DFP made after receiving a refusal from Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (196-206 High Street, Windsor).