Question on Notice No. 710

Asked on 10 May 2006

Mr Copeland asked the Minister for Education and Minister for the Arts (Mr Welford) -

QUESTION:

With reference to the Regional Arts Development Fund -

- (1) For the financial years 2004-2005 and 2005-2006 to date (reported separately) will he identify the groups receiving funding broken down by region and reported separately?
- (2) What is the amount received by each of those groups (reported separately)?
- (3) What was the purpose of the grant to each group in each instance (reported separately)?

ANSWER:

The Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) program is one of our Government's successful partnerships with local councils.

Arts Queensland (AQ) partners with up to 123 councils through the RADF program, which includes the Indigenous RADF program, to support the professional development and employment of artists and artworkers throughout the state.

AQ is responsible for the management and administration of an annual allocation made to each council, whereas local councils are responsible for managing individual grants to members of their community.

AQ is not involved in individual grant assessments or recommendations made by the local council.

Councils provide information to AQ to acquit their annual allocations in terms of number of projects supported, types of artforms and the amount of the grant provided.

As such, I am not able to advise the purpose of each grant to each group in each instance.