LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Higgins to the Minister for Trade, Business and Innovation:

Home Improvement Scheme

1. The previous Government made a commitment to invest \$20 million in the Home Improvement Scheme which offered homeowners up to \$2000 towards renovations and aimed to boost small businesses involved in home improvement, repairs and maintenance to keep work flowing in the Territory.

Now that the current Government closed the Scheme on 1 October 2016, can you please advise since the commencement of the Scheme on 4 June 2016:

1. How many applications were received?

Answer: 7851.

2. How many applications were successfully assessed resulting in the provision of a voucher?

Answer: 7,303.

3. The total amount committed in vouchers for all successfully assessed applications.

Answer: \$12,641,230.

4. How many businesses registered for the scheme?

Answer: 1,148.

5. How many applicants responded to the survey included in the scheme by ticking the boxes against the following statements:

If I did not receive a voucher I would not do this job

Answer: 2,976.

If I did not receive a voucher I would still do this job but on a smaller scale/budget

Answer: 1,733.