

SWAN RIVER CROSSING PROJECT

**113. Hon MARTIN ALDRIDGE to the minister representing the Minister for Transport:**

I refer to the Perth CBD transport plan—Swan River bridge.

- (1) Was the estimated cost of the project \$50 million when announcing the project in August 2020?
- (2) Is the current budgeted cost of the project \$100 million?
- (3) Is the minister aware that the federal government's infrastructure investment program strategic review found the cost of the project to be now \$140 million?
- (4) When will the minister and the Treasurer come clean on the actual cost of this project?

**Hon SUE ELLERY replied:**

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. I answer on behalf of the minister representing.

One to six —

**Hon Martin Aldridge:** I only asked four questions.

**Hon SUE ELLERY:** I am sorry about that. I made an error.

- (1)–(4) The state government commenced procurement of the new bridge with a state allocation of \$50 million, while seeking a \$50 million contribution from the commonwealth, which we were successful in securing. An Alliance contract was awarded, with a project budget of \$100 million. There is additional funding in the overall budget to deliver supplementary works, including upgrades to water infrastructure. The government will update its costings as required as part of the upcoming state budget.