

DIVISION 49: PLANNING AND INFRASTRUCTURE -

Supplementary Information No A33

Question: Mrs Edwardes asked whether the Minister could provide details on how many appeals have been lodged since she took over responsibility for this portfolio; how many are currently awaiting determination by the Minister; how many are pending, still awaiting the completion of the consultation and investigation process; and how many appeals have been lodged with the Tribunal since the Minister took office?

Answer: I advise the member as follows -

- The number of Ministerial Appeals outstanding as at 16 February 2001 was 370.
- The number of Ministerial Appeals lodged between that date and 5 June 2002 was 297.
- Those currently awaiting determination by the Minister number 55 as at 5 June 2002.
- The number of Ministerial Appeals awaiting completion of consultation and investigation process is 81.
- With the introduction of Mediation in the appeal process, the number of Appeals that are currently before the Town Planning Appeal Tribunal is 102.
- The total number of Appeals lodged with the Town Planning Appeal Tribunal since this Government came into office is 208.

Supplementary Information No A34

Question: Ms Hodson-Thomas asked if the Minister would provide a breakdown of the figure of \$57 184 000 appearing on page 814 under Metropolitan Works - Public Transport Enhancement Program.

Answer: The figure of \$57.184m appearing in the Budget Estimates is an estimate that was prepared quite some time ago. The current estimate for the project is \$49.746m broken down as follows -

Perth to Mandurah	\$32.155
Perth to Thornlie	10.218
Project Management	5.347
Northern Suburbs Extension	2.002
Railcars	0.024

Supplementary Information No A35

Question: Dr Woollard asked whether the Minister could provide a study showing the correlation between travel time and patronage.

Answer: A paper titled "The Modelling of Patronage Forecast for the South West Metropolitan Railway Master Plan" has been prepared by Asymptote Consulting. This paper contains analysis of data relating to the elasticity of demand to changes in journey time. I have arranged for a copy of that paper to be provided to the member.

Question: Mr Ainsworth asked for a breakdown of the additional funding provided in 2002-03 to school bus services in terms of introduction of a "composite rate" for contractor remuneration and other funding increases to ensure that the budget was adequate to meet expected expenditure.

Answer: The funding of \$57.276 million provided for school bus services in 2002-03 represents an increase of \$8.4 million over the previously published budget estimates for this year. The increase is broken down as follows -

School Bus Taskforce Recommendations	\$2.0 million
Demand Growth and Cost Pressures	<u>\$6.4</u> million
Total	\$8.4 million

Supplementary Information No A36

Question: Ms Hodson-Thomas asked the Minister how many vessels had been issued with Hull Identification Numbers.

Answer: The number of Hull Identification Numbers recorded on the department's database was 17 375 at the end of May.

Supplementary Information No A37

Question: Mrs Edwardes asked whether the Minister could provide a breakdown of the \$45.7m for 2001-02 and \$38.7m for 2002-03 on page 816 of the Budget Estimates under the heading "Supplies and Services".

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Answer: The breakdown of these figures is as follows -

	2001-02	2002-03
	Est Act	Bud Est
	\$m	\$m
Services and contracts	27.6	18.9
Equipment repairs and maintenance	8.9	10.7
Advertising and promotion expenses	1.5	1.3
Utility costs	2.9	3.2
Other	4.8	4.6

The 2001-02 figure for services and contracts included expected expenditure from the Commonwealth towards the TravelSmart Project which did not eventuate.

Supplementary Information No A38

Question: Mr Sweetman asked whether the Minister could confirm that the figure of \$1.6m relating to the Carnarvon Land-backed Wharf (on P813 of the Budget Estimates) was departmental money and not fishermen's money.

Answer: The total cost of \$1.6m shown for the Carnarvon Land Backed Wharf in the Budget Estimates is incorrect. The most current estimate is \$2.75m. Of this, \$750 000 is allocated from the Small Craft Facility Trust Fund of the Department for Planning and Infrastructure with the balance being sought from the Commonwealth, under the Regional Assistance Program, and the Department of Local Government and Regional Development, under the WA Regional Infrastructure Funding Program.