

HOVEA FALLS — PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE

691. Hon DONNA FARAGHER to the minister representing the Minister for Environment:

The parliamentary secretary is having a busy day today.

I refer to the answer given to question without notice 665 asked yesterday when the minister advised that it was no longer the government's intention to replace the Hovea Falls pedestrian bridge.

- (1) When did the government make the decision to not replace the bridge?
- (2) Who made the decision?
- (3) Why is a new bridge not being constructed in addition to the universally accessible viewing platform?
- (4) Will the minister table the design of the proposed platform and any other related works to be undertaken?

Hon MATTHEW SWINBOURN replied:

On behalf of the minister representing the Minister for Environment, I thank the member for some notice of the question. I provide the following answer based on information provided to me by the Minister for Environment.

- (1) In December 2019.
- (2)–(3) It was an operational decision made by the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions following a detailed site assessment that identified constraints and complexities at the site, including access, ground levels and the inability to provide a universally accessible turnaround on the north side of the bridge.
- (4) The design drawings for the viewing platform have not been completed. Concept plans have been developed.

I table the attached documents.

[See paper [538](#).]