

POLICE STATIONS, UNMANNED

1474. Hon DERRICK TOMLINSON to the minister representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:

I hope my question will not offend the sensibilities of the Leader of the House. It can be answered in one word and two letters.

- (1) Are records maintained of times when police stations are unmanned or closed during normal business hours because police officers are engaged elsewhere or for any other reason?
- (2) If so, in the month of October 2003 -
 - (a) how many times during normal working hours were Forrestfield and Kalamunda Police Stations unmanned or closed; and
 - (b) on which days and at what times?

Hon NICK GRIFFITHS replied:

I thank the member for some notice of this question. The Minister for Police and Emergency Services has provided the following response -

The Police Service advises -

- (1) Generally, specific records are not kept of times police stations have unscheduled closures. However, if a station is closed, appropriate arrangements are put in place to cover the area.
- (2) Not applicable.