

METROPOLITAN REGION SCHEME AMENDMENT, SOUTHERN RAIL LINK

**89. Mrs C.L. EDWARDES to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure:**

The minister has spoken about there being no requirement for minor amendments to go through the developmental planning process. Given that the construction of the southern railway is of such significance, will the minister give a guarantee to the people of Western Australia that she will seek all proper and appropriate planning approvals?

**Ms A.J. MacTIERNAN replied:**

I undertake to seek all approvals that are required under the laws of this State. No amendments were required by the previous Government to its proposal to construct the rail link south of Jandakot. The zoning of the metropolitan region scheme does not need to be amended. An issue has been raised about development approvals. There will be full public scrutiny in the Parliament of this rail development, which I hope will start today.