Extract from Hansard

[ASSEMBLY - Thursday, 17 October 2002] p2009b-2009b Mr David Templeman; Mr Bob Kucera

PEEL HEALTH CAMPUS, ACCESSIBILITY

225. Mr D.A. TEMPLEMAN to the Minister for Health:

Can the minister advise whether there has been any progress on increasing the accessibility to the Peel Health Campus?

Mr R.C. KUCERA replied:

I thank the member for Mandurah for the question. He has been working very hard to ensure the Peel Health Campus is maintained at the level at which it must be maintained.

I will announce the work that has been brought forward on the redevelopment of the car park at the Peel Health Campus. Tenders have been called for the project, which will cost more than \$300 000 and will result in a bus service being available at the hospital for the first time. That is very desirable, given the number of retirees there. Talking of retirees, I acknowledge the presence in the public gallery today of members of Retirees WA from Yokine and other areas of the northern suburbs.

Previously there were no link buses to the Peel Health Campus because they simply could not turn around. The new design includes a drop-off point, a bus shelter and an extra 150 parking bays. The parking bays will prevent people from having to park in sand and bush around the campus, which again is a boon for retirees. The new car park will be safer for pedestrians with new entry and exit points. The member for Mandurah can advise people in his area that the works will be completed by the end of the year and are part of the overall \$3 million redevelopment of the Peel Health Campus, which will include a new day surgery and increased space for renal and oncology patients.