

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY — ALKINA HOLDINGS PROJECT — YORK

694. Ms M.J. DAVIES to the Minister for Environment:

I have a supplementary question. The second part of my question was: when can the minister advise that the community can expect a determination, given, as the minister stated, that the project does not comply with the Shire of York's planning scheme, has not been recommended by the joint development assessment panel for the midwest and wheatbelt and has been rejected by the York community on numerous occasions?

Mr R.R. WHITBY replied:

Thank you, member. I acknowledge everything the member says, and I will also repeat the earlier point I made about the EPA's determination on environmental grounds.

Ms M.J. Davies interjected.

Mr R.R. WHITBY: Is the member going to let me answer the question she asked?

Several members interjected.

The SPEAKER: Order, please!

Mr R.R. WHITBY: I have not finished, member.

I will give it due consideration, and I will carefully consider this. I will not give the member a date here and now, but I will make a decision that is in the best interests of the community.

Stephen Coniglio — GWS Giants — Statement by Speaker

The SPEAKER: Members, I have given people a fair bit of latitude today and other days to talk about various sporting teams and who they are barracking for and wishing luck to. I want to acknowledge Stephen Coniglio, the captain of the GWS Giants, and wish the Giants and Stephen well. Stephen and his family hail from Swan View, and Stephen was a student at La Salle College in my electorate. Along with many other AFL players who have grown up in my electorate, I am very proud of Stephen's achievement, and wish the Giants well in their contest against Collingwood.

That concludes question time.