

WATER CORPORATION — ASSET INVESTMENT PROGRAM

**817. Mr D.J. KELLY to the Minister for Water:**

I ask a supplementary question. Given that the strategic development plan identifies 17 projects that have already been deferred because of a denial of capital, is it not appalling that while customers are experiencing record price increases, this government is not giving the Water Corporation the capital it needs to do its job?

**Ms M.J. DAVIES replied:**

The member is being facetious because that is referred to in a section of the report. Another section of the report refers to the conversation that occurs between me, the Water Corporation and the Treasurer about the fact that the Water Corporation is confident that it can meet its operating requirements going forward and continue to deliver a quality service.

**Mr D.J. Kelly** interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Order, member for Bassendean!

**Ms M.J. DAVIES:** Member, that document and that risk —

**Mr B.S. Wyatt:** It should never have been tabled.

**Ms M.J. DAVIES:** Open and accountable government —

Several members interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Order, members! Carry on, minister, through the Chair.

**Ms M.J. DAVIES:** That risk matrix to which the member referred is about the conversation that the corporation —

**Mr D.J. Kelly:** Not the risk matrix; the list of projects that the member referred to —

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Bassendean, I call you to order for the first time. Minister, just answer the question, please.

**Ms M.J. DAVIES:** I am trying, Mr Speaker; I keep getting interrupted.

I am very confident that the Water Corporation will be able to continue to deliver within the parameters of its operating requirements with the capital that it is provided. As a corporation, it is not immune from the fiscal restraint that government is showing in managing our budget going forward.