

JOONDALUP POLICE DISTRICT, AUTHORISED STRENGTH

3051. Mrs C.L. Edwardes to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services

I refer to the answer to question on notice No. 2114 and ask -

- (a) what is the authorised and current strength of the Joondalup Police district;
- (b) do these figures include Probationary Constables and other officers undergoing training;
- (c) if yes, what are the number of Probationary Constables and other officers under training;
- (d) do the figures given for (a) include officers serving outside of the Joondalup Police District on detached or other duties;
- (e) if yes, what are the numbers of police officers serving outside of the Joondalup Police District on detached or other duties;
- (f) what is the area of land covered by the Joondalup Police District;
- (g) what is the population of the area covered by the Joondalup Police District;
- (h) what is the current police to population ratio for the Joondalup Police district;
- (i) what is the current police to population ratio for Western Australia; and
- (j) what are the police to population ratios for each of the other police districts in Western Australia?

Mrs M.H. ROBERTS replied:

- (a) The Police Service advise as at 31 October 2004 the authorised sworn strength of the North West Metropolitan Region was 267 FTEs and the actual strength was 271.6 FTEs.
- (b)-(c) The Police Service advise these figures include Probationary Constables, of which there were 36 Probationary Constable FTEs at 31 October, but no recruits in training.
- (d)-(e) The Police Service advise these figures include two officers serving outside the North West Metropolitan Region. One has been serving in East Timor and one is working with the Royal Commission follow up Investigation Team.
- (f) The Police Service advise the North West Metropolitan Region covers 787 square kilometres.
- (g)-(h) The Police Service advise as at 30 June 2003 (the latest population figures available) the population of the North West Metropolitan District was 251,293 and the police to population ratio 1:952.
- (i) The Police Service advise the police to population ratio for Western Australia (based on June 2003 population figures) is 1:389.
- (j) The Police Service advise the police to population ratio for all police districts (based on June 2003 population figures) is as follows:
 - Central Metropolitan 1:282
 - East Metropolitan 1:810
 - North West Metropolitan 1:952
 - South East Metropolitan 1:754
 - South Metropolitan 1:789
 - West Metropolitan 1:799
 - Great Southern 1:426
 - Peel 1:680
 - South West 1:630
 - Wheatbelt 1:344
 - Goldfields-Esperance 1:281
 - Kimberley 1:240
 - Mid-West Gascoyne 1:283
 - Pilbara 1:251