

PUBLIC TRANSPORT AUTHORITY — NORTHERN SUBURBS LINE

**678. Hon BRUCE DONALDSON to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure:**

I ask this question on behalf of Hon Roy Halligan, who has been called away on urgent parliamentary business. I refer to the answer given to question on notice 6325 of 19 June 2008.

- (1) How many of the 38 transit officers work specifically and exclusively on the northern suburbs line?
- (2) How many of the 100 transit police work specifically and exclusively on the northern suburbs line?
- (3) How many of the 24 customer service staff work specifically and exclusively on the northern suburbs line?
- (4) How many of the 84 contracted revenue protection officers work specifically and exclusively on the northern suburbs line?

**Hon SALLY TALBOT replied:**

I thank Hon Bruce Donaldson and Hon Ray Halligan for some notice of the question, which I answer on behalf of the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure. The minister has provided the following answer —

- (1) All of the 38 transit officers work specifically and exclusively on the northern suburbs line.
- (2) The transit police work across all lines on the metropolitan rail network and target specific areas or locations only when the need arises through the use of intelligence.
- (3) All of the 24 customer service staff work specifically on the northern line.
- (4) The Public Transport Authority's security section uses a system-wide approach when allocating the contracted revenue protection officers; hence they are not allocated to a specific line.