

PREVENTION OF FAMILY AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE — NEW POLICE UNIT

2024. Mr Z.R.F. Kirkup to the Minister for Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence:

I refer to the PerthNow article on 27 August written by Kate Campbell titled “*Elite WA unit takes aim at prolific domestic violence thugs*”, and ask:

- (a) on what date was the Minister informed about the creation of this unit within Western Australia Police (WAPOL); and
- (b) on what date was the Department informed about the creation of this unit within WAPOL?

Ms S.F. McGurk replied:

- (a) The Minister met with A/Commissioner Driebergs and Detective Superintendent Sue Young on Thursday 15 June. The purpose of this meeting was to provide an overall briefing about WA Police strategic and operational activities in relation to responding to family and domestic violence. In this meeting the WA Police representatives spoke about, amongst other matters, the unit.
- (b) The Department of Communities has not received formal advice about the creation of this unit within WAPOL.