

DURLACHER STREET, GERALDTON

66. Hon MURRAY CRIDDLE to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure:

I refer to access to Durlacher Street from the southern transport corridor in Geraldton.

- (1) Is there a proposal for access to Durlacher Street?
- (2) Has an economic impact study been done on any disruption to businesses in the Durlacher Street area?
- (3) To date, has any consultation been carried out by the Government, consultants or contractors with these businesses?
- (4) If the proposed realignment causes major loss of income and jobs, will those affected be compensated?

Hon KEN TRAVERS replied:

I thank the member for some notice of this question.

- (1) Yes. Access to Durlacher Street will be maintained throughout construction. Traffic that currently uses Durlacher Street will still be able to do so, albeit on a new alignment that will be constructed along Eliot Street and Waverley Street. The new route will continue to provide access from the central business district at the northern end of Durlacher Street across the transport corridor to the southern end and the residential areas of Mt Tarcoola.
- (2) No.
- (3) Yes. Public consultation has been extensive during the development of the project, and the design, including modification to Durlacher Street, has been publicly displayed and approved by the City of Geraldton. More recently, discussions have been held with affected proprietors about the upcoming roadworks.
- (4) It is not anticipated that there will be any significant impact on Durlacher Street businesses.