

CYCLEWAYS

636. Hon Adele Farina to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport:

I refer to the references to community satisfaction with cycle ways and pedestrian facilities in the *Main Roads Western Australia Annual Report 2012*, and I ask:

- (a) what is the reason for the sharp drop in community satisfaction with cycle ways and pedestrian facilities from 90 per cent last year to just 76 per cent this year;
- (b) is information available to distinguish between the reasons for this dissatisfaction in regional areas from those in the metropolitan area;
- (c) if yes to (b), will the Minister provide this information; and
- (d) what action is being undertaken to halt the decline of community satisfaction with cycle ways and pedestrian facilities?

**Hon Jim Chown replied:**

- (a) There are a number of elements that affected the 2012 score such as the significant increase in the number of people cycling in Perth and the significant increase in road work projects being undertaken, which have temporarily impacted pedestrian and cycling facilities including; City of Perth upgrades, Perth City Link works, road closures and detours.
- (b) No.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) The completion of projects impacting on pedestrian and cycling facilities will improve the situation. In addition, the Western Australia Bicycle Network plan 2012–2020 and Bikewest's Integrated Transport System initiatives for cyclists and pedestrians will work to address many of these concerns in the medium to longer term.