

MAIN ROADS WA, GASCOYNE CONTRACT

137. Hon TOM STEPHENS to the Minister for Transport:

- (1) Has the Main Roads term network contract for the Gascoyne been signed yet?
- (2) What obligations does the contractor or the preferred proponent have to establish offices in Carnarvon and to employ local personnel?
- (3) Will the minister table all the regional development obligations proposed under this contract?

Hon M.J. CRIDDLE replied:

I thank the member for some notice of this question.

- (1) No. Negotiations are currently in progress with the preferred proponent.
- (2) Offers made by the proponent in this area are included in the current negotiations.
- (3) Until negotiations are finalised, it is inappropriate to comment on the current negotiations. The obligations can be made available when this contract is finalised.