

POLICE — REGIONAL ENFORCEMENT UNIT

62. Hon JIM CHOWN to the Leader of the House representing the Premier:

While Hon Stephen Dawson has a look for the answer, I will give a bit of a preamble, because he is very busy this afternoon. I refer to the statement made by the now Premier on 20 December 2016. I agree firmly with his statement that, “WA’s road toll is devastating. Every life lost on our roads, is one too many.” I agree also with his statement that, “With 62 per cent of road deaths occurring in regional WA we need to act now.” I note also his statement that —

The new Regional Enforcement Unit will travel around the State to target areas where the regional road toll is disproportionately high.

The now Premier said also that an additional \$3.7 million will be provided for WA Police.

- (1) When will the police enforcement unit be operational?
- (2) How many police will be allocated to the unit?
- (3) When will the \$3.7 million be allocated to the police budget?
- (4) Will the police enforcement unit staff be part of a dedicated team committed solely to the role of the enforcement unit, as defined by the Premier?

Hon STEPHEN DAWSON replied:

Unfortunately that question, too, is not in my file, so I will seek advice and if it comes in by the end of question time, I will give the member a response.