

FARRINGTON ROAD, TRAFFIC FIGURES

724. Hon JIM SCOTT to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure:

I refer to the City of Cockburn's proposed widening of Farrington Road.

- (1) Does Main Roads predict that traffic figures will support the need to duplicate Farrington Road?
- (2) Has the local impacts committee assessed the impacts of duplicating Farrington Road?
- (3) Has Main Roads predicted that upon completion of Roe Highway stage 7 there will be a decrease in traffic on Farrington Road?
- (4) What impact on traffic volumes is the southern suburbs railway predicted to have on Farrington Road?
- (5) Has the Environmental Protection Authority rejected similar proposals to widen Farrington Road; and, if so, when?

Hon KEN TRAVERS replied:

I thank the member for some notice of this question. Farrington Road is a local road with respective sections under the care and management of the Cities of Melville and Cockburn. Any proposal to modify the road would be a matter for the respective council.

- (1) Current traffic volumes on Farrington Road east of North Lake Road are in the order of 18 900 vehicles on an average weekday. Other single carriageways carry more than this volume and it is noted the volumes have remained almost identical since 1998-99.
- (2) No.
- (3) The completion of Roe Highway stage 7 is not expected to have any significant impact on traffic volumes on Farrington Road.
- (4) The completion of the southern suburbs railway is not expected to have any significant impact on traffic volumes on Farrington Road.
- (5) As Farrington Road is a local road under council control, Main Roads is not aware of proposals councils may have submitted to the EPA on this issue.