

NATIONAL BROADBAND NETWORK TOWER — MANDURAH

**850. Hon SALLY TALBOT to the minister representing the Minister for Planning:**

- (1) Is the minister aware of the strong opposition by a number of residents in the Bouvard area of Mandurah to the installation of a 40-metre high NBN wireless broadband tower on the boundary of the Yalgorup National Park?
- (2) Is the minister aware that the Mandurah City Council planning committee has recommended unanimously that the full council reject the application for the tower construction?
- (3) Given that residents' concerns include health impacts, noncompliance with town planning minimum setbacks, the threat to areas of natural conservation and the visual amenity of the area, and that co-location to a nearby telecommunication site has not been sufficiently explored, does the minister agree that state planning policy 5.2 on telecommunications infrastructure is in need of review and revision?
- (4) If no to (3), why not?
- (5) If yes, to (3), will the minister undertake such a review, and when?

**Hon HELEN MORTON replied:**

I thank the honourable member for some notice of this question.

- (1) No, the minister has not been made aware of this matter.
- (2) Refer to (1).
- (3) The member may wish to forward further details on this specific matter to the Minister for Planning.
- (4)–(5) Refer to (3).