

CARCOOLA — BUS SERVICE

**320. Hon SALLY TALBOT to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Transport:**

I refer to question 1112 asked by me on 13 October 2015 to the Minister for Transport.

- (1) Has the minister or the Public Transport Authority investigated any other transport options for residents in Carcoola?
- (2) If yes to (1), what was the outcome of those investigations; and, if not, why not?
- (3) Has the minister or the Public Transport Authority liaised with the Shire of Murray regarding transport options for the residents of Carcoola?
- (4) If yes to (3), what conclusion was reached?
- (5) What will the minister do to ensure the serious concerns of Carcoola residents about lack of public transport options are addressed?

**Hon JIM CHOWN replied:**

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

- (1)–(2) As previously answered in question 1112, the Public Transport Authority has investigated the option of extending the route 600 bus service to include Carcoola. However, given the isolated nature and limited residential development of this area, the 10-kilometre return trip extension of the bus service cannot be justified at this time.
- (3) Yes, on 13 October 2015.
- (4) See answer to (1).
- (5) The PTA will continue to periodically assess the viability of providing services to Carcoola as part of its regular network reviews. Any decision to introduce a service will be subject to the availability of additional resources.