

SOUTH COAST HIGHWAY

**1267. Hon COLIN de GRUSSA to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Transport:**

I refer to the current deplorable condition of South Coast Highway between Ravensthorpe and Esperance.

- (1) Has the state government received any complaints regarding the current condition of the highway; and, if so, how many and from whom?
- (2) Have there been any safety-related incidents attributable to the condition of the highway reported to Main Roads Western Australia, the Western Australia Police Force or the Shires of Ravensthorpe and Esperance?
- (3) When was the last road safety audit and condition assessment undertaken for the Esperance–Ravensthorpe section of the highway?
- (4) Why has the McGowan government allowed such an important freight route to fall into such a state of disrepair?

**Hon SUE ELLERY replied:**

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

- (1)–(4) Since 2017, approximately 25 kilometres of South Coast Highway between Munglinup and Esperance has been reconstructed. No incidents have been reported to Main Roads that are attributable to the condition of the highway. Main Roads undertakes regular inspections and maintenance work on South Coast Highway.