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288. Hon Sally Talbot; Hon Helen Morton

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

I refer to a recent media report "Parking will cover Perth in concrete" that predicts that Perth will need 3.9 million new parking bays by 2040.

- (1) Does the Minister for Planning agree with sustainability expert Peter Newman that such assumptions are conservative; and, if so, what is the minister's estimate?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) Has the final number of parking bays for residential and commercial developments at Elizabeth Quay been determined?
- (4) If yes to (3), what details can the minister provide and how do these determinations accord with the Perth parking policy and the Elizabeth Quay design guidelines?
- (5) If no to (3), when does the minister expect the final number to be determined?
- (6) With reference to the prescribed requirements, are any of the residential and non-residential developments at Elizabeth Quay being considered with lower amounts of or no on-site parking?

Hon HELEN MORTON replied:

I thank the member for some notice of the question.

- (1) The government has in place the Perth parking policy for the CBD through the Department of Transport and is working closely with a number of councils to ensure proper demand management for traffic and parking is in place.
- (2) Not applicable.
- (3)–(4) The Elizabeth Quay design guidelines require parking to be accommodated within buildings in a manner that will not have a negative impact on the public realm. They also set a maximum ratio of parking bays for commercial and residential developments to the site area and number of units, respectively. Commercial bays are capped at 435 bays under the Perth parking policy and residential parking bays are limited to 0.7 bays per dwelling.
- (5) The final number of bays will be determined when development approvals are in place for each private development site.
- (6) Both residential and non-residential requirements are maximums and any ratios below the maximum will be encouraged.