

JOONDALUP RAIL LINE — YANCHEP EXTENSION

**611. Mrs L.M. HARVEY to the Premier:**

I have a supplementary question.

**Dr M.D. Nahan:** She's not here.

**Mr D.J. Kelly:** You waited until she wasn't here.

**The SPEAKER:** Members!

**Mrs L.M. HARVEY:** No. She did a media announcement this morning and she is off sick now.

Several members interjected.

**Mrs L.M. HARVEY:** My question is: Infrastructure Australia clearly stated to the Senate inquiry that it expected to receive the business cases for the two Metronet projects in early 2018, so why did the Premier announce back in August that they had already been submitted?

**Mr B.S. Wyatt:** The final one or the preliminary one? Read the quote.

*Point of Order*

**Mr S.K. L'ESTRANGE:** Is this a two-way chat or can the member ask her question?

**Mr D.A. TEMPLEMAN:** I have a point of order, Mr Speaker.

**The SPEAKER:** Go on.

**Mr D.A. TEMPLEMAN:** During the question the member referred to the Minister for Transport not being here. She is ill. I think the member should withdraw the imputation that she put in her question.

**Mr S.K. L'ESTRANGE:** That was not further to my point of order, Mr Speaker. Can you deal with my point of order before we deal with that point of order?

**The SPEAKER:** I did not know at that stage that it was not to do with your point of order. That is why I gave him the call. In terms of the member for Churchlands' point of order, both sides of the house have been very unruly. It is a point of order. Everyone will be quiet when the member asks a question. On the point of order by the Leader of the House, when people are not here because they are ill or something like that, we do not generally bring it up in the chamber.

Several members interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** She is not here. Anyway, that is my ruling at this stage. If someone is off sick, fair enough. If you have a point of order about someone else saying something, bring it up, but I did not hear anything else.

**Mrs L.M. HARVEY:** Just to be clear, I meant no imputation against the Minister for Transport.

**The SPEAKER:** I know that you did not.

**Mrs L.M. HARVEY:** I was responding to an interjection.

*Questions without Notice Resumed*

**Mrs L.M. HARVEY:** Premier, my supplementary question is: Infrastructure Australia clearly stated to the Senate inquiry that it expected to receive business cases for the projects in early 2018, so why did the Premier announce back in August that the business cases had been submitted?

**Mr M. McGOWAN replied:**

Just for the information of the member when she throws disparaging comments around, the minister's elderly father —

*Point of Order*

**Mr S.K. L'ESTRANGE:** Mr Speaker, you actually dealt with that and the Premier is deciding to bring it back into the debate.

**The SPEAKER:** It is not a point of order. It is just a comment. He has not said anything bad, but I will note closely what he says.

*Questions without Notice Resumed*

**Mr M. McGOWAN:** Just so the member knows, the minister's elderly father has been rushed to hospital. She is not here. Maybe the member should think about that in the future.

Just so we are aware, I have just been advised that preliminary business cases have been submitted to Infrastructure Australia. As is standard procedure, business cases are delivered in multiple stages to Infrastructure Australia. The

state government is continuing to provide more refined detail on both train lines through the project definition plan. This is expected to further strengthen the business case for both projects and, in particular, land use opportunities.

**Mrs L.M. Harvey:** Infrastructure Australia said it had no business cases.

**Mr M. McGOWAN:** Honestly, the member needs to do a little more.

*Tabling of Paper*

**Mr D.T. REDMAN:** It appears that the Premier is reading from an official document. I wonder whether you could ask the Premier to table that document, please.

**Mr M. McGowan:** It is notes.

Several members interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Members, if you keep quiet, I can ask the Premier whether it is an official document. Is it an official document, Premier?

**Mr M. McGOWAN:** It is notes.

**Mr D.T. REDMAN:** Do I take it that it is simply on the advice of the minister as to whether a document is an official document, or does that require clarification from the Speaker?

Several members interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Premier, could I have a look at that document, please?

**Mr D.T. REDMAN:** There were two pages, Mr Speaker.

**The SPEAKER:** That is not an official document.

**Mr D.T. REDMAN:** When the Premier was on his feet, he was reading from two pages. He flicked through both pages as he was making comment to the Deputy Leader of the Liberal Party. The Premier handed you only one sheet of paper, Mr Speaker. Clearly, he has something to hide.

Several members interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Premier, is there another piece of paper?

Several members interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Members! You want a point of order and you want to discuss it and answer it for me!

Several members interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Members! Premier, was there another piece of paper?

**Mr M. McGOWAN:** The document I was quoting from was the one I gave to you.

Several members interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Members, the Premier has handed me the document. That is all I can go on.

**Mr V.A. Catania:** And he said he wouldn't raise taxes and he did!

**The SPEAKER:** Member for North West Central, I was on my feet, so I call you to order for the first time. If you think it is funny, I will call you to order for the second time. Premier, which note did you quote from?

**Mr M. McGOWAN:** Mr Speaker, I will continue to quote; I can quote the entire document that I quoted from.

Several members interjected.

**Mr M. McGOWAN:** I have lots of pieces of paper on my desk.

Several members interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Member! Is everyone finished? The Premier has told me that that is the document. I am accepting his word. If you do not like it, I cannot help that. I can only go on what the Premier has told me.

**Mr D.T. REDMAN:** Mr Speaker, I would seriously ask you to reconsider your decision.

Several members interjected.

**Mr D.T. REDMAN:** I need to make a point of order.

**The SPEAKER:** You are querying my decision, member for Warren–Blackwood. There is a process to go through with that. I have made my decision and that is the end of it. If you want to do anything else, you can, but I have made a decision. The Premier told me that that is what he quoted from. I will go on to further business.

**Mr D.T. REDMAN:** Point of order, Mr Speaker. The Premier has told you that he quoted from one bit of paper. When the Premier was on his feet he had two bits of paper. He was looking at both those bits of paper and responding to the question of the Deputy Leader of the Liberal Party.

Several members interjected.

**Mr D.T. REDMAN:** Can I finish my point of order, please?

**The SPEAKER:** No, because you are saying the same thing. The Premier has told me and I have taken the Premier's word. If you do not take it, I cannot help that. I have made that decision. If you keep putting points of order, I will call you to order because I have made the decision on that point of order.

*Questions without Notice Resumed*

**Mr D.T. Redman:** You've been caught out on that!

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Warren–Blackwood, I call you to order for the first time.

**Mr D.T. Redman:** You are absolutely caught out. You have been caught out.

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Warren–Blackwood, I call you to order for the second time. You will be caught out; you will be going home early.