

YORK — POTENTIAL BYPASS ROAD

2296. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Transport

- (1) Is the Minister aware of the increasing volumes of heavy vehicles using York and in particular the historic Blandstown area?
- (2) Does the Minister support recent calls for a bypass to take heavy vehicles out of York?
- (3) When does the Minister expect the construction of a bypass to commence?

Hon SIMON O'BRIEN replied:

- (1) Yes.
- (2) Reasons behind requests for a York bypass are understood and reasonable.
- (3) Heavy vehicles travel through many rural towns which would like a bypass, and York is one such town. Construction of a bypass for York will require detailed planning and comparison with other towns with similar requests in order to prioritise limited Government funding. There is no timeline at present for a York bypass.