

PERTH PARKING MANAGEMENT ACCOUNT

435. Hon KEN TRAVERS to the minister representing the Minister for Transport:

- (1) As at the last date the Department of Transport received an account balance, how much was in the Perth parking management account?
- (2) Has cabinet approved the expenditure of funds from the consolidated account for those parts of the Perth CBD congestion plan that will occur outside the Perth parking management area; and, if yes, how much?
- (3) Has cabinet approved the expenditure of all the money that it expects to collect from the Perth parking tax in 2012–13 and over the forward estimates?
- (4) If no to (3), how much has still to be expensed?

Hon SIMON O'BRIEN replied:

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

The Department of Transport advises as follows.

- (1) A total of \$56.831 million as at 20 June 2012.
The Minister for Transport notes that with recent transport initiatives announced by the Liberal-National government which draw from the Perth parking management account, the opposition member's plan to use "surplus funds" in the account to fund capital works for his proposed east-west light rail project cannot draw on the fund as proposed. It is now a matter of interest how the member plans to fund this proposal in light of this fact.
- (2) All expenditure on the CBD transport plan was approved as part of the 2012-13 state budget process.
- (3)–(4) Any further expenditure from the account will be approved as part of future budget processes.