

NORTH WEST WATER POLICE UNIT — CLOSURE

155. Hon KEN BASTON to the minister representing the Minister for Police:

I refer to the statement made by the WA Police Force Commissioner of Police regarding the announced closure of the north west water police unit in March 2018.

- (1) On what date was the minister advised the Commissioner of Police was considering retiring *Delphinus*?
- (2) On what date was the minister advised of the final decision to retire *Delphinus*?
- (3) Could the minister please explain the changes that have occurred in the “current security environment” that led to this decision?
- (4) Was the local government in this area consulted or informed about this decision prior to it being announced?
- (5) If yes to (4), when did these discussions occur?
- (6) If no to (4), why not?

Hon STEPHEN DAWSON replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. The following information has been provided by the Minister for Police.

It is not possible to provide a response to this question within the required time. If the honourable member puts the question on notice, I will be able to provide further information.