

GREENWOOD TRAIN STATION — SERVICES

579. Hon ED DERMER to the Minister for Transport:

- (1) Has the minister considered the merits and implications of the shuttle train service that connects Cockburn Central station with Whitfords station, stopping at the Greenwood station?
- (2) If yes, what was the outcome of the minister's consideration?

Hon SIMON O'BRIEN replied:

I thank the member for some notice of this question.

- (1) Yes; the question of stopping at Greenwood station has been looked at.
- (2) Changes to the timetable have not been introduced for the following reasons. First, any alteration to the existing stopping pattern would require a change to the Mandurah line timetable because of the additional dwell times required. This could result in a reduction of overall timetable services for the Joondalup–Mandurah line. Bus timetables would also need to be amended for selected stations on the Joondalup–Mandurah line. Second, Greenwood currently receives on average a five-minute train service in the morning peak from 6.46 to 7.40 am and a 10-minute train service till 8.48 am. This level of service is more than adequate for a non bus–rail interchange station and is a comparable level of service for other stations with similar patronage levels, such as Currambine and Edgewater stations.