

PUBLIC TRANSPORT — BUS SERVICE 355

2353. Mrs L.M. Harvey to the Minister for Transport; Planning; Lands:

I refer to the commencement of the new bus service 355 between Ellenbrook and Whitfords, and ask:

- (a) can the Minister please provide a breakdown of the \$760,000 cost of this service;
- (b) is this service a trial or expected to be a permanent route; and
- (c) what is the expected annual cost of delivering this bus service?

Ms R. Saffioti replied:

- (a) \$760,000 is the annual service kilometre cost of delivering the Route 355 bus service. No additional costs were included in this amount.
- (b) The Route 355 bus service is a permanent addition to the Transperth network. Like all Transperth bus routes, patronage demand on this service will be closely monitored and where necessary, the service may be varied to meet the ongoing needs of the community in terms of frequency and hours of operation.
- (c) \$760,000.