

ROE HIGHWAY STAGE 8 — LEACH HIGHWAY

113. Mrs L.M. HARVEY to the Minister for Transport:

I have a supplementary question. Given that the High Street–Stirling Highway intersection is one of the lesser congestion hotspots along Leach Highway, when will the minister stop tinkering around the edges and outline a comprehensive plan to deal with road safety and congestion in the southern suburbs in lieu of Roe 8 and 9?

Ms R. SAFFIOTI replied:

The member for Scarborough does not support this project. We have seen it.

Several members interjected.

Ms R. SAFFIOTI: The member for Scarborough does not support this project.

The SPEAKER: Minister, can you speak through the Chair? Do not ask the opposition questions; they are not allowed to answer.

Ms R. SAFFIOTI: It is clear that the member for Scarborough does not support this project. The opposition does not support Metronet. It does not support the Wanneroo Road projects or the Armadale Road duplication. Let us go through all our projects, such as the Armadale Road duplication; the new Armadale Road–North Lake Road bridge, for which planning is underway; and the widening of the freeway. One of my personal favourites, and I know that it is a favourite of the member for South Perth, is the new Manning Road on-ramp. Another project is the Thornlie–Cockburn rail line. Let us keep going. We are supporting local governments in delivering new projects to reduce congestion throughout major areas. There is the Nicholson Road bridge. A lot of projects are underway. Members can visit the Boosting Jobs Busting Congestion website. The opposition opposes it all. It wants to go back to the days when it had no plan. The former government made it up as it went along. Construction companies were leaving the state because they had no job certainty. We are creating jobs. All the opposition members do is create confusion; they have nothing to say about this state but negative comments.