

CHILDREN'S COURT — LINKS PROGRAM

184. Hon ALISON XAMON to the Leader of the House representing the Attorney General:

I refer to the children's mental health court diversion and support program, Links.

- (1) Given the demonstrated success of the court and clear need in regional areas, will the government commit to expanding this court to regional areas?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) If yes to (1), when?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

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

- (1) Not at this time.
- (2) The Links program, operating at Perth Children's Court, is currently funded only until 30 June 2019. Any expansion to regional areas would be considered as part of the future business case to continue the program post-June 2019.
- (3) Not applicable.