

MEMBER FOR DARLING RANGE — BOSNIA SERVICE

712. Mrs L.M. HARVEY to the Premier:

I have a supplementary question. How will the Premier restore confidence in the police and veterans communities that he is taking this matter seriously?

Mr M. McGOWAN replied:

The hypocrisy—you are the person. This is what else the member for Scarborough had to say about Troy Buswell.

Dr M.D. Nahan interjected.

The SPEAKER: Leader of the Opposition.

Mr M. McGOWAN: This is what else the member for Scarborough had to say about Troy Buswell. Members have to remember that Troy Buswell as a minister was a bomb thrower—he was a bomb thrower par excellence. He used to sit there and throw bombs across the chamber. He was the Liberal Party’s attack weapon. In fact, as the former Premier said, he was the Liberal Party’s best asset. He used to throw all that. After he drove his car around Subiaco damaging people’s property—some people might even say that he was intoxicated at the time—the member for Scarborough had this to say on 5 May 2014 —

“My concern is that we should give him some breathing space to get well and by all means ask those questions when we know that he’s well enough to cope with that scrutiny.”

That is what the member for Scarborough had to say about Troy Buswell. But she is prepared to use parliamentary privilege to attack a first-term backbencher who served in the British Army, the British police and the Western Australian police. Shame on you.