

CHILD PROTECTION — CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE — ROEBOURNE

934. Hon NICK GOIRAN to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Child Protection:

I refer to the minister's answer to my question without notice 866 on 20 September 2018 in which the minister informed the house that the Department of Communities is aware of the names, ordinary residential locations and school enrolment status of all child victims identified during Operation Fledermaus and the Pilbara joint response team.

- (1) What is the number of names that the department said it was aware of as at 20 September 2018?
- (2) What is the current number of names that the department is aware of?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

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

There may be differences between Western Australia Police Force data and Department of Communities information as the Department of Communities information relates solely to children identified as victims at a point in the investigation.

- (1) The answer provided on 20 September 2018 refers to Western Australia Police Force data, as of 23 August 2018. At that date the Department of Communities was aware of 42 child victims.
- (2) The Department of Communities is not aware of any new child victims.