

TRANSPERTH — ACCESSIBLE SERVICES

3198. Hon Linda Savage to the minister representing the Minister for Transport

I refer to the Public Transport Authority's promotion of certain bus routes as accessible services. The Transperth website provides information that bus timetables marked with the disabled symbol 'indicates a Transperth route that is serviced entirely by fully accessible services.'

Given that the latest timetables for routes 98, 99 and 106 clearly mark these routes with the disabled symbol designating them as accessible services, and I ask —

- (1) On how many occasions have accessible services not been available on those particular routes (98, 99, 106)?
- (2) Of those listed in (1), what was the reason for the accessible services not being available?

Hon SIMON O'BRIEN replied:

(1)-(2) Routes 98 and 99 (Circle Route)

These are accessible bus services with all timetabled trips operated by an accessible bus. However from time to time additional (non timetabled) trips are operated on the services such as during special events or in periods of heavy loading. These non timetabled trips may be operated with an accessible bus however this depends upon bus availability.

Route 106

This is an accessible bus service however a small number of trips are unable to be operated by an accessible bus due to availability, but these non accessible trips are clearly indicated on the timetable.

This allows passengers to make a fully informed choice as to the accessibility of the service that is currently available. New fully accessible buses are continuing to be delivered into the Transperth network and all timetabled trips for this route will be made fully accessible when buses of this kind become available.