

NORTHBRIDGE LINK — COMMONWEALTH FUNDING

2683. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Transport

- (1) For the 2010-11 financial year, and each year of the forward estimates, can the Minister advise how much money will the State Government receive from the Commonwealth Government for the project known as the Northbridge Link, including sinking of the railway lines and the Wellington Street bus station?
- (2) Can the Minister advise how much the State Government will spend on this project for 2010-11, and each year of the forward estimates?
- (3) At the conclusion of the forward estimates period —
 - (a) how much Commonwealth funds will still be owing; and
 - (b) how much money will still be required to complete the project?

Hon SIMON O'BRIEN replied:

- (1) Through the Nation Building Fund, the Commonwealth Government has agreed to provide a total of \$236 million towards the cost of the underground railway works for the Perth City Link Project. The contribution from the Commonwealth is capped at this amount and provides for the railway works only. It does not include the works for the underground bus station. The Commonwealth's contribution for the forward estimates are as follows:

2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	Total Millions
7.0	0	30.2	60.6	101.2	37.0	0	236.0

- (2) The State made a small capital contribution through the Public Transport Authority's ongoing asset investment program to finalise planning and early works in 2009?2010. Due to the timing of the initial contribution and the Commonwealth's contributions towards the railway works which are to be completed in 2013?2014, the State's contributions will commence in 2012?2013 and will run through to the end of the bus station works in 2015?2016. The State's planning cash flow for the forward estimates are as follows:

2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	Total Millions
0	2.6	0	0	65.8	35.5	124.3	228.2

- (3)
 - (a) At the end of the forward estimates period, there will be no outstanding Commonwealth funds.
 - (b) At the end of the forward estimates period, the amount required to complete the Perth City Link Bus Project works is \$108.2 million.