

WESTPORT TASKFORCE — KWINANA PORT

874. Hon SIMON O'BRIEN to the Minister for Ports:

I refer to the latest Westport Taskforce report released on Thursday, 15 August 2019.

- (1) Will the new port in Cockburn Sound be owned and financed solely by the state government?
- (2) If yes to (1), how will the government finance the port?
- (3) If no to (1), will there be private investment in the new port?
- (4) If yes to (3), what forms of private investment will be considered?

Hon ALANNAH MacTIERNAN replied:

I thank the member for the question. It is good to see we have two shadow ministers for this area.

- (1)–(4) The Westport Taskforce is considering financing options and will include these in its stage 2 outcomes report to government, due early in 2020. Any new port in Kwinana will remain under the jurisdiction of the publicly owned Fremantle Port Authority. As with every other port in Western Australia, there may be private investment in infrastructure.