

ST GEORGES TERRACE — ROADWORKS

4306. Mr C.J. Tallentire to the Minister for Transport

I refer to the road works taking place in St George's Terrace in Perth, and ask:

- (a) what design input, be it advisory, statutory or technical, has been provided by either Main Roads WA, the Public Transport Authority or the Department of Transport on how the St George's Terrace refurbishments should be designed;
- (b) did either Main Roads WA, the Public Transport Authority or the Department of Transport advise the City of Perth to design the works to include a bike path; and
 - (i) if not, why not;
- (c) what is the width of the proposed bus lane; and
- (d) will the proposed bus lane provide adequate space for a bus to safely overtake a bike?

Mr T.R. BUSWELL replied:

- (a) The Department of Transport, Public Transport Authority and Main Roads worked with the City of Perth in 2010 to prepare a Strategic Agreement for the upgrading of CBD streets. This included provision for bus lanes on St Georges Terrace/ Adelaide Terrace from the Causeway to William Street.
The current road works on St Georges Terrace between Barrack Street and William Street do not include cycle lanes due to the limited space, the need for bus lanes and wider verges for pedestrian amenity, and significant safety issues with a combined bus / bike lane due to the number of bus stops.
- (b) Yes. The Department of Transport's Bikewest Unit separately requested a 4.5 metre kerbside bus / bike lane on St Georges Terrace in 2009.
 - (i) Not applicable
- (c) 3.5 metres.
- (d) No.