

PUBLIC TRANSPORT AUTHORITY — 2017–18 STATE BUDGET — EFFICIENCY INDICATORS

2118. Mrs L.M. Harvey to the Minister for Transport; Planning; Lands:

- (1) Regarding the Public Transport Authority's efficiency indicator, Metropolitan Train Services passengers per service kilometre, why has the budget target for 2017–18 been lowered by ten per cent from the 2016–17 target?
- (2) What is the 2016–17 and estimated 2017–18 passenger per service kilometre for each rail line?
- (3) Was the Office of the Auditor General involved in the lowering of these Key Effectiveness Indicators?

Ms R. Saffioti replied:

- (1) The Average Passengers Per Service Kilometre in the 2017–18 Budget Target decreases to 2.86 (9.5 per cent) due to a forecast decline (5.9 per cent) in patronage combined with a 3.7 per cent increase in service kilometres as a result of scheduled railcar delivery and stadium operations.
- (2) Metropolitan train service passenger per service kilometre are not maintained for each rail line.
- (3) The Office of the Auditor General, audits the Key Effectiveness Indicator actuals annually and provides an opinion which is included in the Public Transport Authority's (PTA) Annual Report. For more than seven years the Auditor General has not raised any concerns with regard to the PTA's Indicators included in the annual report.