

TRANSPERTH — BUS PUNCTUALITY

421. Hon KEN TRAVERS to the minister representing the Minister for Transport:

I refer to the article in *The Western Independent* in April 2012.

- (1) Can the Minister for Transport confirm that he denied to this paper that there was any downward trend in punctuality figures for Transperth bus services?
- (2) Does he still deny there is a downward trend in punctuality figures?
- (3) Can the Minister for Transport identify the roadworks across Perth that caused delays to buses in March?

Hon SIMON O'BRIEN replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of this question.

- (1)–(3) The Public Transport Authority, via the Minister for Transport, has provided an answer that is quite voluminous, given the detail requested, so I will table it and seek leave to have it incorporated into *Hansard*.

Leave granted. [See paper 4669.]

The following material was incorporated —

The Public Transport Authority advises:

- (1) Yes, because at the time of the article there was insufficient statistical information to confirm a downward trend.
- (2) Bus services have been affected by the ongoing road closures and disruptions through the Perth metropolitan area.
- (3) Yes. The major and minor roadworks that have caused delays to Transperth bus services in March 2012 are as follows:
 - Wellington Street near Milligan Street where traffic has been reduced in both directions to one lane east bound and two lanes west bound;
 - Great Eastern Highway near Roe Highway, Midland due to the major intersection upgrade;
 - Great Eastern Highway, Belmont between Tonkin Highway and Orrong Road due to the widening and realignment of the Highway;
 - Kwinana Freeway, between Bull Creek and Murdoch due to the widening of the Freeway;
 - William Street, Perth between Wellington and Murray Streets has been reduced to one lane due to the Raine Square re-development tunnel works;
 - Newcastle Street, North Perth;
 - Fitzgerald Street between Bulwer and Carr Streets for re-asphalting works;
 - Waterloo Crescent between Wittenoom and Bronte Streets, East Perth;
 - Scarborough Beach Road;
 - Beechboro Road, Noranda between Reid Highway and Bridgeman Drive for a roundabout construction; and
 - Royal Street, East Perth between Bennet Street and Regal Place for re-asphalting.

In addition to roadworks other events to cause delays to Transperth bus services in March 2012 due to road closures were:

- MandurahCrabFest, road closure Mandurah Terrace, Old Coast Bridge on Pinjarra Road;
- St Patricks Day, road closure James Street between Milligan and Parker Streets;
- William Street Festival, road closure William Street from Brisbane Street to Roe Street;
- Triathlon, road closure Brockway Road, Shenton Park;
- City of Perth Triathlon, road closure Mounts Bay Road between Winthrop Avenue and William Street;
- UCI Masters Cycling Race - road closures of St Georges Terrace, Malcolm Street, Kings Park Road, Thomas Street, Perth;
- Hillary's Triathlon, road closures Whitfords avenue between Northshore Drive and Angove Street, Hillarys; and
- Freeway Bike Hike for Asthma, road closure of the Kwinana and Mitchell Freeways between Mandurah and Joondalup.

It should be noted that two major rail disruptions impacted upon Transperth bus services in March 2012.

Many of the current major road closures will continue to cause disruptions for some time as well as the road closures that are now in place for the Perth City Link project and the expected road closures for the Perth Waterfront Development.
