

METRONET — RAIL PROJECTS

876. Mrs L.M. HARVEY to the Minister for Transport:

I have a supplementary question. To bring the minister back to the question, will she categorically rule out that there will be any compulsory acquisitions as part of the Metronet projects for Thornlie–Cockburn and Yanchep; and, if there are some, can she please explain what value she has allocated from projects towards those acquisitions?

Ms R. SAFFIOTI replied:

As I recall, there is no compulsory acquisition. I will get back to the member to see whether I am correct on that, but, as I understand it, there is no compulsory acquisition.

Mr W.J. Johnston interjected.

Ms R. SAFFIOTI: That is unlike what the former government did in Forrestfield in relation to many of the residences there, and Roe 8; we can go through it.

Several members interjected.

The SPEAKER: Members!

Ms R. SAFFIOTI: The opposition does not support Metronet, it does not support the Thornlie–Cockburn line and it does not support the Yanchep line. We support Metronet and we are very proud of delivering rail projects. Of course, the only rail project the former government did—the Butler extension—it stuffed up anyway, and we are very keen that we are implementing Metronet to provide world-class rail services to the community.