

ROE HIGHWAY STAGE 8 — COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

**921. Hon LYNN MacLAREN to the Minister for Transport:**

- (1) In the South Metro Connect consultation process, were residents or groups given the opportunity to voice their outright rejection of the Roe Highway stage 8 extension?
- (a) If yes, what was the exact wording?
- (b) If no, why not?

**Hon SIMON O'BRIEN replied:**

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

- (1) (a)-(b) Yes. Residents or groups were given the opportunity to voice their outright rejection of the Roe Highway extension. The project team records all community and stakeholder comments on the road, including from opponents. There were 23 comments recorded voicing opposition to the project during the three design workshops. There have been 32 comments recorded voicing opposition to the project thus far during day-to-day contacts with community and stakeholders during the engagement process. It is worth remembering that the community survey across the southern metropolitan area found that 73 per cent of people either supported or strongly supported the extension of Roe Highway.