

POLICE — HIGH-RISK SERIOUS OFFENDERS — CHILD CONTACT

893. Hon Nick Goiran to the minister representing the Minister for Police:

I refer to the answers to additional questions following the Western Australian Police (WAPOL) 2022–23 Budget Estimates hearings, specifically 19d which states: “When it is identified a reportable offender has had contact with a child or children, the Western Australian Police Force disclose the information to the Department of Communities, who are then responsible for conducting a welfare check to ensure the identified child is safe and continues to be safe”, and I ask:

- (a) during the 2021 calendar year, on how many occasions did WAPOL disclose the information to the Department of Communities;
- (b) how many High-Risk Serious Offenders are currently being managed by Serious Offender Management Squad (SOMS); and
- (c) how many High-Risk Serious Offenders have a child sex offence conviction?

Hon Stephen Dawson replied:

The Western Australia Police Force advise:

- (a) 417
- (b) 73
- (c) 22