METROPOLITAN REGION SCHEME AMENDMENT 1240/41 — FORRESTDALE

Statement by Minister for Planning

MR J.H.D. DAY (Kalamunda — Minister for Planning) [2.36 pm]: I present today for tabling metropolitan region scheme amendment 1240/41, which proposes to rezone approximately 101.02 hectares of land in Forrestdale, from the rural zone to the industrial zone in the metropolitan region scheme.

The proposed industrial zoning will allow development of the land for primarily light, general and service industrial uses with some commercial/showroom development following a local scheme amendment, detailed structure planning and subdivision approval. The subject land forms part of a proposed non-heavy industrial site, identified in the Western Australian Planning Commission’s Economic and Employment Lands Strategy. The rezoning will contribute to the supply of industrial land servicing the south-eastern corridor of the Perth metropolitan region and is strategically located adjacent to Tonkin Highway and the proposed Rowley Road primary freight route. As the site is located in proximity to the Forrestdale Lake Nature Reserve, wetlands and Bush Forever site 345, consideration has been given to environmental factors. Having regard to the environmental sensitivities of the area, a local scheme amendment and structure plan will be required to inform the distribution and acceptability of various industrial/commercial land uses within the site, and secure appropriate drainage, buffer and interface controls. Such investigations are routinely undertaken in the subsequent more detailed stages of the planning and development process. This may also result in subdivision and development approval conditions as appropriate. Whatever the case, these future detailed planning processes are subject to separate public consultation periods.

In accordance with the statutory provisions for region scheme amendments, this amendment was advertised for three months over 2012 and 2013. Fifteen submissions were received that contained eight general comments, four comments of support and three comments of objection. Copies of the submissions and the Western Australian Planning Commission’s report on submissions are also tabled today.

I am pleased to now table the documentation for metropolitan region scheme amendment 1240/41 and I commend it to the house.

[See papers 1690 and 1691.]