

Briefing of State Liberal Members of Parliament

BWG Steakhouse (Heathcote) 8.00am to 9.30pm, Wednesday 14 December 2016

A Co-operative venture of the municipalities of: Cockburn, East Fremantle, Fremantle, Kwinana, Melville & Rockingham

Background



SOUTH WEST

Established in 1983 **Voluntary Regional Organisation** of Councils (VROC) **Member Councils City of Cockburn Town of East Fremantle City of Fremantle City of Kwinana City of Melville** City of Rockingham **Population** - 420,000 (June 2015) **Growth** – 3.5% pa for the region (WA 3.0%, Aust 1.6%) since 2008 **GRP** and contribution to State's economy is approx. \$30 Billion p/a



Regional Priorities

- Additional Lane of Kwinana Freeway (Russell Road to Roe Highway)
- Armadale Road Bridge
- Thornlie Rail Line Extension
- South West Metro Light Rail Study
- Canning Bridge Upgrades



Additional Lane on Kwinana Freeway - North

- Russell Road to Roe Highway
- Congestion "hotspot" in region
 - daily radio reports
 - congestion extends outside AM/PM peaks
 - major delays during weekend and holiday periods
 - excessive productivity losses (business survey results)
- Major structural work required
 - Bridge over freight rail line
 - On ramps and freeway connectors
- Opportunities for ITS (ramp signals, variable speed signs)
- Shared funding arrangement with Federal Government (\$150M total, \$75M each)







Armadale Road Bridge

- Reduces severe congestion at Cockburn Central
- Links to Armadale Road duplication
- Designs underway to optimise alignment
- Supports Cockburn West Aquatic and Recreation Centre (new base for Fremantle Dockers)
- Shared funding arrangement with Federal Government (\$160M total, \$80M each)







Thornlie Rail Line Extension

- Key public transport initiative for metro area
- Increases rail capacity and resilience
- Alignment reservation acquired shovel ready!
- Provides access to employment centres
- Direct access to Perth Stadium
- Shared funding arrangement with Federal Government (\$340M total, \$170M each)







South West Metro Light Rail Study

- Numerous proposals and alignments for Light Rail and BRT in the region
- Study will be based on integrated land use planning and density uplift approach, rather than traditional patronage model
- Innovative funding options including value capture, tax increment financing and special purpose levies to be examined
- Best practice Light Rail and BRT projects currently in design and development phase showcased nationally
- Local government taking leadership role in the planning and development of light rail projects





Canning Bridge Upgrades

- **Congestion bottleneck** during AM and PM peaks (in and out of CBD)
- Bus interchange replacement to Como (City of South Perth)
- Duplication of Canning Bridge
- Manning Road on ramp to Kwinana Freeway south
- ITS and widening for Canning Highway off ramp (heading south)
- Shared funding arrangement with Federal Government (\$200M total, \$100M each). Turnbull already committed \$15M for Manning Road on ramp







Roe 8 and Outer Harbour

- Member Councils adopted contrary positions to Roe 8 and PFL
- Not able to establish **regional position**
- Research completed on **required road upgrades** should PFL not go ahead
- Outer harbour planning and design still required, but timelines not clear until decision on sale of Fremantle Port known
- Progress of proposals likely to be determined on outcomes of the State election







Questions?

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