



Inquiry into annual and financial reports 2024–2025

Answer to question on notice

Asked by: Mr Andrew Braddock MLA

Addressed to: Minister for Transport

Reference: Transport Canberra Depot Planning

Hearing: 19 November 2025

In relation to: Barriers to upgrades of Belconnen Depot

Question received: 27 November 2025

Answer Due: 04 December 2025

Transport Canberra has identified that there are technical barriers to upgrading the Belconnen Bus Depot to install additional electric bus charging infrastructure. Separately, it has alluded to plans for a future West Belconnen Depot.

Can you please clarify:

- (1) Whether the Government still intends to upgrade the Belconnen Depot for additional electric charging infrastructure?
- (2) If so, how long the Government anticipates it being before the technical barriers to upgrades can be resolved (best estimate)?
- (3) If the West Belconnen Depot is planned to be an additional bus depot or a replacement depot for Belconnen?

Mr Chris Steel: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

(1) Belconnen Depot has capacity to charge four battery electric buses simultaneously with limited impact on operations. Due to there being overall limitations on available power in the Belconnen precinct, there are no current plans to upgrade the Belconnen Depot with additional electric charging infrastructure.

(2) N/A.

(3) Planning is currently underway to determine requirements for a future new northside bus depot, this may or may not be at West Belconnen and will be determined through the planning phases.

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Signature:



By the Minister for Transport, Mr Chris Steel MLA

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