



Inquiry into the procurement and delivery of MyWay+

Answer to question taken on notice

Asked by: Ms Jo Clay MLA

Addressed to: Chris Steel MLA, Minister for Transport

In relation to: Date range for bus patronage modelling and raw patronage numbers up to end of April 2025.

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Chris Steel MLA, Minister for Transport took on notice the following question:

Mr Steel: So the buses that were planned to be fitted out, will be completed. But of course, there are the buses that are due to be retired, where we did not plan to fit those with the MyWay+ system. And they will take longer to phase out. So there will still be a number that do not have the system. Transport Canberra is very closely managing those, as far as they can, to try and reduce the use of those buses on the network. But some of them will be in operation.

That does affect the patronage data that comes through. But with about one electric bus being – new electric bus being received a week; over time we expect those buses to be phased out. They are close to retirement already, which is why they have not been fitting with the system. So we expect patronage will then, you know, over time reflect the true number of passengers that we are actually seeing on the system.

MS TOUGH: Wonderful. Thank you.

THE CHAIR: Thank you.

Mr McHugh, you have taken on notice that modelling. Can you just tell us the date range for the modelling that we will see?

Before we present it. So we will do month Mr McHugh: It will be up to the most recently month before we present it, so we will be a month-on-month comparison.

THE CHAIR: The modelling up to now. This is not future modelling. Are you going to give us future modelling for what patronage you expect?

Mr McHugh: We have not done the future modelling yet. But based on, I guess, the assumptions that we have got, you could forecast.

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THE CHAIR: Right. So you are going to give us modelling, based on what you think patronage was, as opposed to what the data shown.

Mr McHugh: Correct. Correct. Based on the reasons that the minister just explained around the lack of—

THE CHAIR: Yes.

Mr Steel: And I do not think we have got the April raw numbers. We gave you up until March, but the month has only just ended. Do we – yes, so we might see whether we can provide you with the April raw numbers as well as what it could have – what we think it probably was, based on some of the assumptions above that.

MS TOUGH: Yes, thank you.

Chris Steel MLA, Minister for Transport: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

Please see the response to QTON 005.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Environment, Planning, Transport and City Services.

Signature: 

By Chris Steel MLA, Minister for Transport

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