



Speech by

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**MEMBER FOR GREENSLOPES**

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**POLICE STATIONS, GREENSLOPES ELECTORATE**

**Mr FENLON** (Greenslopes—ALP) (10.43 p.m.): Prior to the State election this year the coalition, in its very desperate attempt to hold on to power, came out to the southern suburbs, particularly the suburbs in my electorate, under the guise that it would construct a new police station to service the area. This was an incredible ruse, because it was really attempting to close down at least two of the police stations servicing my area—the Coorparoo and Camp Hill Police Stations.

I am very proud that I and the honourable member for Chatsworth went to the electorate with the very clear undertaking that we would not close down those two police stations, that we would not move to a new configuration of police stations which replaced those two police stations with another police station, the location of which was never known. We did not have any indication as to where it would be located or what sort of police station it would be. All we knew was that the police stations that we had were to be closed down and that police would have to drive further to deal with crimes.

It seems that that is certainly a revelation to the member for Broadwater, who commented on the front page of the South East Advertiser this week that demographics indicate that Coorparoo and Greenslopes need a police station. I have news for the honourable member for Broadwater: we already have two. We like them and we want to keep them open. We are very happy that the undertakings given by the now Government before the election have been fulfilled. The police stations in the Greenslopes area will be maintained. They will not be closed.

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