

## Question on Notice

No. 576

Asked on 20 May 2004

MRS ATTWOOD asked the Minister for Transport and Main Roads (MR LUCAS)—

QUESTION:

How is the proposed disability upgrade of the Corinda Railway Station progressing?

ANSWER:

The proposed Corinda railway station upgrade will enable the station to comply with the requirements of the new *Disability Standards for Accessible Public Transport 2002*, which came into effect in October 2002. These Standards take effect under section 31 of the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992*.

The purpose of these Standards is to ensure maximum access with equivalent safety, dignity, amenity, availability, convenience, and comfort for all public transport users. They apply to a range of disabilities and will benefit a variety of transport users.

The proposed modifications at the Corinda railway station include replacing three non-compliant ramps with stairs, providing lifts to all platforms and Browne Street. The replacement of the three ramps with stairs is to ensure that the access paths at platform level are of the required width.

A range of other modifications has also been proposed to comply with disability standards, including upgraded lighting, altered seating arrangements, installation of tactile tiles, modifications to the ticket office, and the installation of passenger information systems.

Tenders will be sought from pre qualified contractors on Friday 11 June 2004. Site works are scheduled to commence early September 2004 and be completed in mid to late April 2005.