Question on Notice

No. 1760

Asked on Wednesday 11 November 2009

MR WELLINGTON ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT (MS NOLAN)—

QUESTION:

What additional rail passenger services are proposed linking the town of Cooroy with Caboolture?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Nicklin for the question.

Currently, there are two rail services per day that run between Caboolture and Cooroy and one rail service per day between Cooroy and Caboolture. The patronage on these services is currently considered too low to warrant the introduction of additional services at this time.

The average weekday passenger load arriving at Nambour Station from Gympie is 35 passengers on the morning peak service inbound to Central. The average weekday passenger load arriving at Nambour on the evening peak service outbound is 40 passengers.

There is another option for travel between Cooroy and Caboolture. Route 631 runs a morning peak service between Cooroy and Nambour on a weekday, where passengers can interchange to a more frequent rail service between Nambour and Caboolture.

There are a further eight services offered between 9:10 am and 6:50 pm on a weekday between Cooroy and Nambour, four Saturday services between 7:55 am and 4:55 pm and five Sunday services between 9:20 am and 6:55 pm.

Return services between Nambour and Cooroy include seven regular services departing between 7:15am and 5:00 pm on a weekday, four Saturday services between 7:20 am and 2:50 am and three Sunday services between 10:00am and 4:55am.