

**HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY**

**THURSDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2015**

**BELVIDERE WAR MEMORIAL**

**Mr PEDERICK ( Hammond ) ( 14:51 ):** My question is to the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure. What is the minister doing to protect the Belvidere War Memorial in light of the upgrading of the Langhorne Creek-Milang-Strathalbyn roads intersection? The transport department have pegged the realignment of the roads straight through a triangle of trees planted in 1946 to remember the contribution of local World War II servicemen, some of whom made the ultimate sacrifice.

**The Hon. S.C. MULLIGHAN ( Lee—Minister for Transport and Infrastructure, Minister Assisting the Minister for Planning, Minister Assisting the Minister for Housing and Urban Development ) ( 14:52):** I thank the member for his question. Thanks to the representations from the member, I do know that this is an issue of great concern to the local community. My understanding of the issue is that this is a federally funded project and the—

Ms Chapman interjecting:

**The Hon. S.C. MULLIGHAN:** Yes, that's right, as the deputy leader says, the state transport department is undertaking the works. There was a public meeting some days ago when many locals voiced their discontent about the proposed route which had been marked out, and there was an alternative suggestion, I understand, at that public meeting about how else that alignment could be achieved to deliver the desired road upgrade that the funds are designed to go towards. That alternative route which was suggested at that public meeting, I am advised, is under investigation now.

**Mr PEDERICK:** Are you going to save the trees?

**The SPEAKER:** By dropping explanations and by members not giving impromptu speeches before asking questions, we managed to get through 21 opposition questions in a row, so I would invite the member for Adelaide, does she have a supplementary question that she can now ask in order?