



Frome Electorate Office

Hon Geoff Brock MP, Member for Frome



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Passenger transport – Pilot Program will be based in the Port Pirie Region

Are we utilising our public transport services to meet the needs of the community effectively. Throughout the Frome Electorate I have long received enquiries from many people regarding public transport in the regions and the difficulties they face when needing transport.

This led me to ask the Government for a review of public transport in the region from non government organisations to Government agencies?. I believe it is important to evaluate the overall usage of transport vehicles used for the public. Are the vehicles designated to provide transport to the public being fully utilised? Are we making the best use of our transport vehicles in the community and is there a better way to utilise existing services more effectively.

Could better utilisation of vehicles improve the efficiency taking into consideration the economical cost to the community and the volunteer drivers that are required to maintain the current services.

I first spoke to the Minister for Transport and other interested parties including Bus SA about the issue of public transport in the regions over 2 years ago. I asked that a thorough review be conducted to identify transport and accessibility needs and strengthen the region's transport resources.

Today I announce that through working together we have achieved success and am pleased to launch the Pilot Program "Moving People" which will operate for 12 months in the Port Pirie region. This Pilot Program will be coordinated by Michele Pole and I look forward to working closely together on this project.

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