

## Response to question on notice

### Questions on Notice Paper No 9

05 September 2025

Question No. 568

**Leanne Castley MLA:** To ask the Chief Minister

1. Does the Government intend to pursue the creation of an upgraded rail link between Canberra and Sydney, given that in 2018, the Chief Minister called on the Federal Government to commit to funding a fast rail service between Canberra and Sydney.
2. Have any additional commitments or resolutions been made in relation to the service referred to in part (1); if not, what other options is the Government considering for facilitating travel between Sydney and Canberra.

**ANDREW BARR MLA** - The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

1. Yes. Current efforts to enhance Canberra – Sydney rail connectivity are focused on achieving improvements to current train services operated by Transport for NSW.
2. ACT and NSW officials have established an executive level cross-border Steering Committee. The Steering Committee is assessing opportunities for reducing travel times, growing patronage and ensuring the train service meets the needs of passengers.

Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.



Andrew Barr MLA  
Chief Minister

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