

**BALDIVIS ASPHALT PLANT**

*Petition*

**MR P. PAPALIA (Warnbro)** [3.03 pm]: I have a petition certified as complying with Legislative Assembly standing orders and bearing 179 signatures. It reads as follows —

To the Honourable the Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly of the Parliament of Western Australia in Parliament assembled.

We the residents of Baldivis/Karnup wish to draw to the attention of the Legislative Assembly that the Southern Gateway Alliance has constructed an asphalt plant at Lot 300 Stakehill Road Karnup, within 250 metres from the nearest residence and in the vicinity of residences, vineyards, an avocado farm and valuable conservation category protected wetlands.

EPA guidelines state that asphalt plants are to be located at least 1000 metres from residences. As all properties are reliant on either ground water or rain water, there is concern for the quality of water as well as any category 1 carcinogenic compounds such as benzene and other emissions such as hydrogen sulphide, formaldehyde, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, cadmium and arsenic all of which have potentially harmful effects.

Now we ask the Legislative Assembly to intervene to ensure that production does not proceed at this site and that a more suitable site be found for the plant.

[See petition 14.]