

EASTLINK HIGHWAY

Petition

HON DR BRAD PETTITT (South Metropolitan) [1.08 pm]: I present a petition containing 484 signatures couched in the following terms —

To the President and Members of the Legislative Council of the Parliament of Western Australia in Parliament assembled.

We, the undersigned are opposed to the proposed construction of the EastLink Highway. We believe it will cause irreparable and irreversible harm to environment, heritage, health, local businesses and divides communities along its route (including Stratton, Jane Brook, Gidgegannup, Chidlow, Wooroloo, Wundowie, Bakers Hill, Clackline, Northam and surrounds). EastLink will destroy vast amounts of Perth's Hills biodiverse native bushland, along with its habitats of unique species, wetlands, nature corridors and heritage sites.

Furthermore, the EastLink Highway concept is outdated, inappropriate and contradicts Western Australian Climate Change policy and measures. Alternative freight transport, such as railway improvements, should be considered.

We therefore ask the Legislative Council to urgently recommend the Government to declare the EastLink Highway permanently untenable. And your petitioners as in duty bound, will ever pray.

[See paper [2464](#).]