

CERVANTES RATEPAYERS & PROGRESS ASSOCIATION (Inc)



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Hon Brian Ellis MLC – Chairman, Linda Omar – Committee Clerk Standing Committee on Environment & Public Affairs Legislative Council – Parliament House PERTH....6000

Re: Shacks at Wedge & Grey

Cervantes Ratepayers & Progress Association members fully support the removal of the above Shacks (and that is what they are just "shacks") For many, many years now the owners of these buildings have reaped the benefit of living — and in a lot of cases just holidaying in — a most aesthetic areas on our coast at no real cost to themselves. The shacks are unsightly and dilapidated and with the soon to be opened Indian Ocean Drive bringing in many more tourists we feel that these shacks will detract from the otherwise beautiful scenery.

The significance of the reason these shacks were first erected related to the safe anchorage for the fishing industry, but with the settlement at Cervantes and the easy access to the boats direct from the beach, plus the establishment of an Ambulance and Fire Brigade Service in that town, plus the availability of housing and building blocks there is no need for such a settlement of ramshackle huts to exist.

This beautiful area should be opened up as a holiday resort with family accommodation plus more upmarket motels etc for tourists. The folk at Grey and Wedge have benefitted from illegal squatting for too long now and our Association feels that it is time for them to be removed and the area put to much better use.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Yvonne Caddy - Secretary

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