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Hon Michael Mischin MLC
Standing Committee on Legislation
Legislative Council
Parliament House
PERTH WA 6000

Dear Mr Mischin

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AMENDMENT (REGIONAL SUBSIDIARIES) BILL 2010

I refer to your letter of 7 July 2011 in relation to the above Bill and your current enquiry and thank you for the opportunity to make a submission.

The Town is also aware that the Western Australia Local Government Association (WALGA) is also preparing a submission to your Committee on this matter and we are aware of the content and intent of that submission.

As you would be aware the reform of local government has been a focus for some time and whilst Cottesloe Council has formally resolved to explore a voluntary Regional Transition Group (RTG) process with its immediate neighbours there has been reluctance by some of those Councils to participate. On that basis Cottesloe Council has continued to explore opportunities for other forms of regional partnerships and resource sharing. One such opportunity recently considered by Council was the Local Government Amendment (Regional Subsidies) Bill 2010 introduced to Parliament by the Hon. Max Trenorden MLC.

After considering the Bill and its potential benefits for Cottesloe, Council determined, at its June 2011 meeting, as follows;

THAT Council

1. *Support the Local Government Amendment (Regional Subsidiaries) Bill 2010.*
2. *Advise both the Minister for Local Government and Member for Cottesloe of that support.*

Having considered the intent and recommendations of the submission prepared by WALGA the Town of Cottesloe, in line with the above resolution, would like to support the position as outlined by WALGA. Thank you for allowing Council the opportunity to make a submission.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Kevin Morgan', written over a horizontal line.

Kevin Morgan
Mayor
Town of Cottesloe