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Our Ref: 31-13859

Hon Brian Ellis MLC
Chair
Standing Committee on Environment and Public Affairs
Parliament House
PERTH WA 6000

Dear Mr Ellis

Thank you for your letter of 29 June 2011 concerning Petition No 113 – Request the Legislative Council support the Establishment of a Police Station in the Town of Capel.

The Western Australia Police have advised that the Shire of Capel is currently adequately policed within the Bunbury Police Sub-district and there are no plans to build a police station at Capel. Police resources are allocated following extensive and ongoing analysis to ensure the most effective and efficient distribution of policing services. If this analysis were to indicate a new Police Station was required in the Shire of Capel then WA Police will submit a proposal for the Government's consideration.

In relation to enforcement activities WA Police continue to consult with strategic partners and key community stakeholders to develop strategies to improve the level of service delivery within the Shire of Capel. WA Police officers actively patrol the Bunbury sub-district, including the Shire of Capel, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. This ensures WA Police maintain high visibility and accessibility to the community, in addition to ensuring a timely and high quality response to any incidents within the sub-district.

I am advised that Acting Inspector Sears from the South West Police District Office has contacted Ms Davis directly to discuss her petition and she has been provided with the above information.

I thank you for bringing this matter to my attention and trust the above information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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