



Minister for Transport; Finance



Our Ref: 53-00518
Your Ref: Petition No 31

Hon S O'Brien MLC
Chairman
Standing Committee on Environment and Public Affairs
18-32 Parliament Place
WEST PERTH WA 6000

Dear Mr O'Brien *Simon*

I refer to your correspondence of 8 April 2014 in which you forwarded Petition No 31 which was tabled in the Legislative Council on 27 February 2014 by the Member for East Metropolitan Region, Hon Amber-Jade Sanderson MLC, on behalf of her constituents seeking the installation of crash barriers on Hester Avenue between Baltimore Parade and Connolly Drive in Merriwa.

Hester Avenue is a local road under the care and control of the City of Wanneroo.

While Main Roads is responsible for the installation and maintenance of regulatory signs and pavement marking and maintaining traffic signals on local roads, Council is responsible for the safe operation of its local road network including the consideration and funding of crash barriers

Notwithstanding the above, I understand my colleague, the Minister for Road Safety has asked the Office of Road Safety to engage with the City of Wanneroo to determine if there is a need for a safe system treatment on Hester Avenue, consistent with the communities shared responsibility for road safety.

The first meeting of the group has recently taken place with involvement by Council, Office of Road Safety, Police and Main Roads. I trust that these deliberations will result in a satisfactory outcome.

Yours sincerely

**HON DEAN NALDER MLA
MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT**

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