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**Minister for Local Government; Community Services;  
Seniors and Volunteering; Youth**

Our Ref: 57-00295

Hon Simon O'Brien MLC  
Chairman  
Standing Committee on Environment and Public Affairs  
Parliament House  
PERTH WA 6000

Dear Mr O'Brien

Thank you for your correspondence dated 13 October 2016 requesting my comments in regard to Petition No 127, tabled in the Legislative Council on 18 August 2016 by Hon Darren West MLC.

The petition relates to the proposed construction of a telecommunications tower on Bell Hill Reserve in the Shire of Chittering.

The Shire is required to make decisions in processing this development application in line with the *Planning and Development Act 2005*. They must also comply with the Shire's Town Planning Scheme No 6.

The Planning and Development Act provides that persons aggrieved by a local government's alleged failure to implement effectively the observance of a local government scheme are able to make representations to the Minister for Planning.

The Minister for Planning has carriage of the relevant legislation and the authority to determine the outcome of the above development application.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped 'P' and a smaller 'a' and 'l'.

HON PAUL MILES MLA  
**MINISTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT; COMMUNITY SERVICES;  
SENIORS AND VOLUNTEERING; YOUTH**

27 OCT 2016