

I, Joan Foley in the State of Western Australia, am the promoter of this petition which contains ²⁰129 signatures.

PETITION – REOPEN THE PUBLIC JETTY TO THE PORT HEDLAND COMMUNITY

To the President and Members of the Legislative Council of the Parliament of Western Australia in Parliament assembled.

We, the undersigned residents of Western Australia support the reopening of the new Port Hedland Main street jetty for community use as a fishing spot and viewing platform of the Port Hedland Harbour. The State Government, through Royalties for Regions invested \$6 million to the Pilbara Ports Authority for the Main Street Jetty Extension project in 2013-14.

The Hedland Community Living Association lobbied for 15 years for this project to include provision for wheelchair access. It has now been shut to the public and is only accessible by Port workers.

We believe residents in wheelchairs deserve to be able to access Hedland waters for recreation purposes such as fishing, boat access and harbour tours and to view the harbour's activities up close.

We are concerned that the old publically accessible Main Street jetty is in disrepair and does not allow for wheelchair access.

Your petitioners therefore respectfully request the Legislative Council undertake an enquiry into the closure of the new Main Street floating jetty to the public, review the appropriateness of allocating state funding for the project which delivers sole access to private industry and investigate why the community was not consulted over the decision to deny public access.

I certify that this Petition is in conformity with the Standing Orders of the Legislative Council

And your petitioners as in duty bound, will ever pray.

NAME	ADDRESS	CLERK OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SIGNATURE