

**I, Barry John Porter**

**State of Western Australia, am the promoter of this petition which contains**  
**signatures.**

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**PETITION IN RELATION TO THE SAFETY OF RESIDENTS AT ARALUEN RESIDENTIAL ESTATE**

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

We the undersigned are seeking assistance in relation to the City of Armadale ("the City")'s lack of co-operation in accommodating a request by the residents of the Araluen Residential Estate to establish an additional entrance to and exit point from the estate. The City has rejected the residents' proposal to permanently open a locked gate on one of the existing entrance/exit points currently designated for evacuation in cases of emergency (on Wymond Rd, Roleystone) for this purpose. The reasons for this request by the residents are as follows:

- The current estate access and egress arrangements are deemed insufficient and pose a risk to the safety of the residents in cases of emergency (e.g. bush fire, vehicle accident and fallen trees) that could be further mitigated by considering and accommodating the residents' proposal.
- The City has acknowledged that if the current access and egress arrangements were to be assessed as part of a proposed residential estate development today, they would not be approved.
- The 2011 Special Inquiry and Report of the Perth Hills Bushfire (the "Keelty report") highlighted, among others, the need for the state to be more adequately prepared for the potential for future hills fires.

We therefore ask the Legislative Council to look into the matter in consultation with the Department of Fire and Emergency Services. In light of the 2011 bushfire affecting Roleystone and Kelmscott, the City cannot afford to ignore and fail to mitigate the risks posed by the estate's current access and egress arrangements, and compromising the safety of the estate's residents.

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

NAME	FULL ADDRESS	SIGNATURE