



**Hon David Templeman MLA**  
**Minister for Local Government; Heritage; Culture and the Arts**

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Our Ref: 66-02251

Hon Matthew Swinbourn MLC  
Chair – Standing Committee On Environment And Public Affairs  
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Dear Mr Swinbourn

Thank you for your letter dated 17 August 2017 requesting my comments on the terms of Petition No. 9 – Horse Beach Joondalup and the submission from the principal petitioner. This petition refers to the *City of Joondalup Animals Amendment Local Law 2016*.

Section 3.1(1) of the *Local Government Act 1995* (the Act) states that 'The general function of a local government is to provide for the good government of persons in its district.' Section 3.5 of the Act states that 'A local government may make local laws under this Act prescribing all matters that are required or permitted to be prescribed by a local law, or are necessary or convenient to be so prescribed, for it to perform any of its functions under this Act.'

The terms of the petition and the submission are detailed, providing a long history of ratepayer support for the City of Joondalup to provide a permissible area for the exercising of horses on City of Joondalup beaches. That support is evidenced by this petition containing over 2000 signatures.

The City's justification to remove the horse exercise area appears to contradict petitions sentiment. In order to achieve good government for the ratepayers in the City of Joondalup the Committee should give due regard to this petition.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment related to this petition.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'David Templeman', written over a large blue circular scribble.

HON DAVID TEMPLEMAN MLA  
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