

Hon. George Gear Mayor City of Melville Locked Bag 1 Booragoon WA 6954

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Dear Mayor George

Protecting Applecross' Iconic Trees

As you are aware, Forbes Road, Sleat Road and Kintail Road in Applecross are identified in the current Canning Bridge Activity Centre Plan (CBACP) for potential future road widening.

My petition to protect these trees has attracted more than 1,200 signatures, demonstrating the community's clear position on this issue. Any plans that result in the removal of these magnificent mature verge trees, including the iconic Jacarandas for which Applecross is so well known, would be an unacceptable loss to the community.

I have written to the Minister for Planning, the Hon. Rita Saffioti MLA, seeking her support about what the State Government can do to protect these trees.

The current Canning Bridge Activity Centre Plan, developed by the City of Melville in 2015, is currently under review. I am asking The City of Melville to remove the plan to widen these streets from the revised CBACP.

I look forward to your urgent attention to this matter.

Regards

Kim Giddens MLA
Member for Bateman

CC: Mr M Tieleman, CEO CC: Elected Councillors

