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17th January 2007

Hon Louise Pratt MLC
Chairperson
Standing Committee on Environment and Public Affairs
Parliament House
Perth WA 6000

Dear Ms Pratt,

Petition No 34-

Regarding the Protection of Mature Trees on Public Land in Urban Areas

Further to my letter of the 10th January 2006, I wish to inform you of the following developments:

1. Mr. (Name removed) has established the Western Region Environment Network, (WREN). The objectives of the group are:

To promote the recognition, conservation and enhancement of urban bushland,
natural heritage and green spaces and
To provide a forum and support to local groups

I have attached a copy of his letter to the Honourable Tony McRae, in which he outlines the concerns of the group.

I have also attached a copy of a letter to the Minister from Ms.(name removed) who is a member of Friends of Underwood Avenue Bushland and of the newly formed WREN group.

2. I have made several attempts to establish the whereabouts of the signatures missing from petition 34, having spoken to (the Committee Clerk), (the Council Clerk and Honourable Ray Halligan`s receptionist. In a telephone conversation before Christmas, (the Committee`s clerk) advised me that only 9 of the 718 signatures that were to have been tabled by the Honourable Ray Halligan have been presented.

As already stated in my emails to (Committee Clerk), I have photocopies of all the 1490 signatures should your Committee require them.

3. The issue of tree removal and related environmental matters continues to be a subject of interest in the local Post Newspaper. I have attached copies of a number of recent letters to the Editor for your information.

Could you please provide written confirmation of receipt of this letter and attachments and if possible any information on the missing signatures and general progress by your Committee on Petition 34.

Yours Sincerely,

Alex Jones