

A-FRAME SIGNS

Petition

MR A.P. O'GORMAN (Joondalup) [3.02 pm]: I have a petition that has 254 signatures, is certified as correct by the Clerk and reads as follows —

To the Honourable the Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly of the Parliament of Western Australia in Parliament assembled.

We, the undersigned, say that the use of freestanding A-frame signs is an important and essential tool of marketing for local businesses. Many small businesses are located in business parks and commercial areas which have limited visibility from a 90 degree perspective. The placing of A-frame signs makes it easier for customers to locate a specific business when seeking goods or services. It is considered to be unconscionable practice for local Councils to confiscate signs, on an ad hoc basis and without prior notification, and then require a fine payment for recovery of the sign.

Now we ask the Legislative Assembly, in support of small business and the wider community, to amend the Local Laws under which the City of Joondalup currently operates to allow the use and placement of such A-frame signs, in compliance with all safety requirements, and to require Council to adopt policies that include such amendments.

Your petitioners therefore humbly pray that you will give this matter earnest consideration and your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

[See petition 55.]