

TWO ROCKS, ODOUR PROBLEMS

1279. Hon. C.L. Edwardes to the Premier

I draw the Premier's attention to the pre election commitments made by Labor Party to the people of Two Rocks regarding odour problems they experience and ask -

- (a) since February 2001, have the EPA been asked to report on removal and disposal of seaweed from south of the Two Rocks Marina;
- (b) who requested the report;
- (c) what was the outcome of the report;
- (d) since February 2001, have the DEP been asked to report on removal and disposal of seaweed from south of the Two Rocks Marina;
- (e) who requested the report;
- (f) what was the outcome of the report;
- (g) since February 2001, have Marine and Harbours been asked to report on removal and disposal of seaweed from south of the Two Rocks Marina;
- (h) who requested the report;
- (i) what was the outcome of the report;
- (j) since the election of the State Labor Government in 2001, has any action taken place to remove seaweed build up from south of the Two Rocks Marina; and
- (k) if no action has taken place, is this a non-core promise being broken at the expense of a small local community?

Dr G.I. GALLOP replied:

- (a) No.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) No.
- (e) Not applicable.
- (f) Not applicable.
- (g) Marine and Harbours ceased to exist a number of years ago and its activities in this area are now undertaken by the Department for Planning and Infrastructure. DPI has been asked to report on removal and disposal of seaweed from the beach immediately south of Two Rocks marina.
- (h) Requests for assistance were made by Dianne Guise MLA, Member for Wanneroo and by the City of Wanneroo.
- (i) The report prepared by the consultants presented a number of management options. The City of Wanneroo chose to undertake further investigations of a structural option, involving extending the adjacent harbour breakwater to divert seagrass from the beach.
- (j)-(k) Following extensive discussion with the City of Wanneroo and some public consultation, a consultant was engaged in February 2003 to undertake the further studies of the structural option. This work is now in progress.