

## Select Committee into the Operations of the RSPCA WA (Inc)

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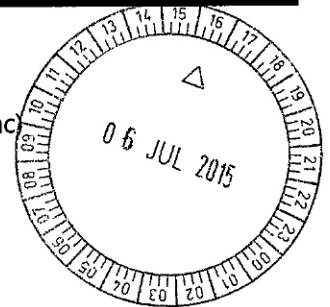
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**Ms Samantha Parsons**

**Submission into the Operations of The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Western Australia (Inc)**

Dear Ms Parsons,

I must first disclose that I am Lynne Bradshaw's (President RSPCA WA) husband.

I see firsthand how much work the board of RSPCA puts in.

Lynne works around 30 hours per week and recently that has doubled, as a volunteer, and her main objective is for the prevention of cruelty to animals. That's what the letters PCA in RSPCA stands for.

The public expects an organisation to prosecute people who treat animals cruelly, and if the RSPCA did not take that role, who would?

The State Government contribute \$500,000 towards the running costs, and I'm sure that if they took on that role themselves, it would cost taxpayers 10 times that.

It's all very well for highly paid politicians to call an inquiry. They can drag it out as long as they want while they are earning their salaries, whereas the board (volunteers) spend their weekends and evenings working out ways to defend this ludicrous action. I'm sure the RSPCA is wasting valuable funds trying to combat more government waste. No wonder the public lose faith in the politicians.

What are they hoping to achieve?

The RSPCA does a really good job, is well respected in the community and should be supported by Government, not attacked. The people who instigated this inquiry should be ashamed of themselves.

Richard Bradshaw