

Hon Sue Ellery MLC Minister for Education and Training Leader of the Legislative Council

Your Ref: Petitions 48, 49, 51 and 66 Our Ref: 61-12691

Hon Matthew Swinbourn MI C Standing Committee on Environment and Public Affairs Parliament House 4 Harvest Terrace West Perth WA 6005



Dear Mr Swinbourn

Thank you for your letter dated 13 September 2018 regarding petitions 48, 49, 51 and 66 - Bridgetown, Pemberton, Point Peron and Geraldton Camp Schools.

I am pleased to advise the Standing Committee on Environment and Public Affairs that Fairbridge WA Inc. has been selected as the preferred proponent to operate the six camp schools that were available for lease.

Fairbridge WA has committed to provide programs similar to those currently on offer at each campsite, with no increase in cost to public school students for accommodation and meals. I have been advised that any future cost increases will be in line with yearly CPI increases.

I understand that monitoring of community satisfaction, including occupancy rates and ongoing affordability for public schools, will occur through annual reporting requirements included in the conditions of the Lease Agreement for each campsite.

Thank you for taking the time to write to me.

Yours sincerely

SUE ELLERY MLC
MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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