

ARMADALE COURTHOUSE AND POLICE STATION

Petition

DR A.D. BUTI (Armadale) [9.02 am]: I have a petition with 1 822 signatures. The petition is in accordance with standing orders, and reads —

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

We, the undersigned, request the Barnett Government provide a new courthouse and a 24 hour/7 day a week public access police station in the City of Armadale.

The Armadale Courthouse services a large section of the south-east metropolitan region. The current court house is overcrowded and lacks the proper facilities to provided appropriate security and privacy for those attending. It does not have the capacity to cope with the current demand for services. The current courthouse is well past its used by date and there is an urgent need for a new courthouse to be built.

The Cannington Police Station which is the police hub for Armadale on weekends and after hours is too far away from the Armadale region to provide adequate services for the residents of the City of Armadale. The presence of a 24 hour/7 day a week public access police station within the City of Armadale will better connect the police force with the community and assist in the prevention of crime in the Armadale region.

[See petition 592.]