

HILLARYS BOAT HARBOUR, PETITION

889. Mr JOHNSON to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

Is it not a fact that the minister is ignoring the concerns of more than 5 000 Western Australians by refusing to table their petition regarding this development?

Ms MacTIERNAN replied:

I am not refusing to lodge this petition.

Mr Johnson: You have had it for two months. Give it to me.

Ms MacTIERNAN: No. The residents will not give the petition to the member, because they know he cannot do anything. I have written two letters and departmental officers have had a number of meetings with the residents since that petition was lodged. That petition contains a number of inaccuracies and for that reason I have been seeking to negotiate with the leaseholders. I reiterate, contrary to what has been said -

Mr Johnson interjected.

The SPEAKER: Order!

Ms MacTIERNAN: The majority of leaseholders actually understand that the relocation of the Department of Fisheries to this site will be beneficial.

Mr Omodei interjected.

The SPEAKER: The member for Warren-Blackwood!

Ms MacTIERNAN: The member has failed to understand that we are delivering on a comprehensive review, something that he could never do.