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Cockburn, East Fremantle, Fremantle, Kwinana, Melville & Rockingham

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Our Reference: SWG Submission on  
LGAB Proposal 10, City of Melville

Local Government Advisory Board  
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Dear Sir

### **SOUTH WEST GROUP SUBMISSION IN RESPONSE TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT ADVISORY BOARD PROPOSAL 10 – CITY OF MELVILLE**

This submission from the South West Group is in response to the Local Government Advisory Board's (LGAB) Intended Recommendation on Proposal 10 (City of Melville) advertised on Wednesday 23 July 2014.

The South West Group's submission relates to the land leased by the Southern Metropolitan Regional Council (SMRC) for the operation of the Regional Resource Recovery Centre (RRRC).

The City of Melville, along with the City of Fremantle, City of Cockburn, City of Kwinana and the Town of East Fremantle, are South West Group member Councils who are also members of the SMRC.

#### **Background**

The South West Group, formed in November 1983, is a Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils. It comprises the Cities of Cockburn, Fremantle, Kwinana, Melville, and Rockingham, and the Town of East Fremantle. The South West Group is managed by a Board consisting of the Mayors and CEOs of its member local governments.

The South West Group seeks to work with these six local governments and through cooperation with industry, community and the other spheres of government to capture a wide range of opportunities to enhance economic growth as well as supporting a diversity of quality lifestyles whilst servicing and sustaining cohesive, productive communities in an enviable environmental setting.

#### **LGAB Proposal 10 – City of Melville**

The LGAB Proposal 10 (City of Melville) recommends that a large area in the City of Canning be excluded from the proposal.

The area specific to this submission relates to the parcel of land bounded by the freight railway line to the south, Ranford Road to the east, Roe Highway to the north and the property boundary with Ken Hurst Park to the west.

The parcel of land includes the SMRC's RRRRC, Soil Aint Soils Canning Vale operation, Water Corporation Treatment Works facility, City of Canning Dog Pound, Landfill Gas and Power, a Muzz Buzz outlet and the Swan Transit Bus Depot.

The attachment to this submission indicates the area of land specific to this submission shown (overlaid in red) on the LGAB Proposal 10 map, with the figure below showing the parcel of land (outlined yellow) in more detail.



**Recommended boundary adjustment for the parcel of land containing the SMRC's RRRRC for inclusion into the City of Melville**

### **SMRC's Regional Resource Recovery Centre**

The RRRRC currently services the Members of the SMRC, those being the Town of East Fremantle and the Cities of Melville, Cockburn, Fremantle and Kwinana.

The SMRC members Councils have a significant financial investment in the RRRRC facility with loans structured through the Western Australian Treasury Corporation (WATC) with terms to 2023. The estimated value of the RRRRC is \$100 million.

The RRRRC facility is a vital component of waste management infrastructure serving the communities of the South West Metropolitan Region and the Member Councils remain committed to environmental sustainability and the achievement of the Waste Authority's reduction to landfill targets of 50% by 2015 and 65% by 2020.

The railway line to the south of the RRRRC to Ranford Road is a logical boundary, as the railway line dissects the RRRRC facility and the City of Canning's landfill site and transfer station to the south.

This boundary would ensure the RRRC would be contained within the City of Melville, who are a member Council of the SMRC and a major shareholder in the RRRC.

More importantly, the boundary adjustment will enable the RRRC to be located within the region it services and ensures that the \$100 million investment in this significant waste management infrastructure by the Members is protected into the future.

This boundary adjustment recommended by the South West Group would result in the City of Canning retaining control of their landfill site and transfer station and therefore maintaining responsibility for the monitoring and legacy contamination issues associated with former landfill sites into the future.

The railway line boundary related to this parcel of land is also consistent with LGAB's Guiding Principles when considering a boundary change or an amalgamation (Transport and Communication).

I trust that the LGAB will look favourably upon the South West Group submission in recommending final boundaries for the City of Melville for consideration by the Minister.

If you have any queries regarding this submission, please contact the Director South West Group, Mick McCarthy on (08) 9364 0631, mob 0478 325 469 or email [director@southwestgroup.com.au](mailto:director@southwestgroup.com.au).

Yours sincerely

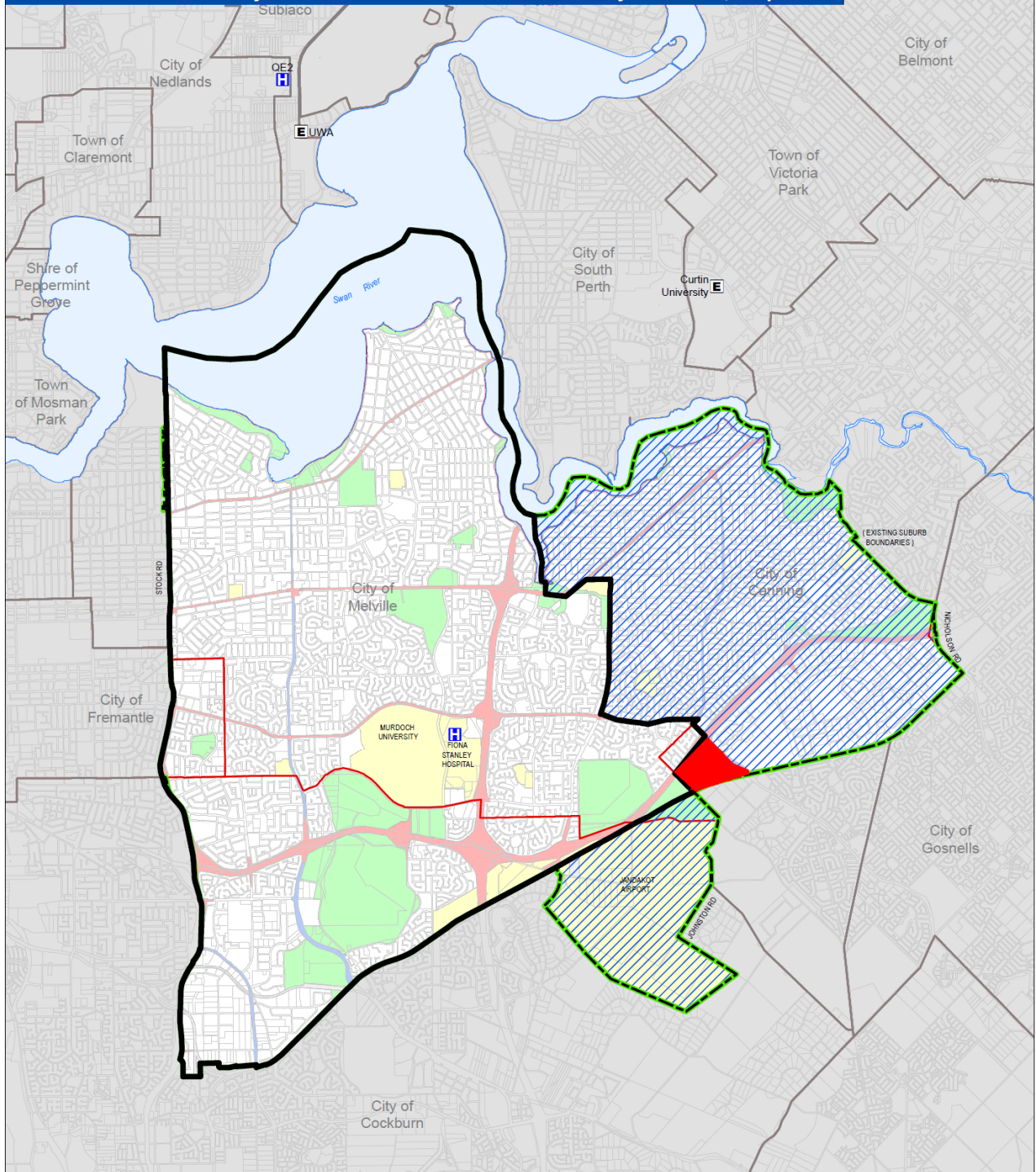


**Mayor Logan Howlett JP**  
**Chair South West Group**

Enc. LGAB Proposal 10 map



**Local Government Advisory Board Intended Recommendation – City of Melville, Proposal 10**



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Disclaimer: These maps have been converted to a uniform format and some additional information has been included to assist anyone considering a submission to the Local Government Advisory Board.

Disclaimer: Coastal local governments include offshore island land areas, but not ocean. Riverine local government mid-river boundaries are approximate only.