



Wilson Residents and Ratepayers' Association

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WRRRA represents you in Wilson by working co-operatively with:

- *City of Canning*
- *Mason Ward Councillors*
- *Canning River Regional Park Community Advisory Committee*
- *WA Government Depts.*
- *Neighbourhood Watch program & WA Police*
- *State & Federal Government Politicians*
- *Wilson Wetlands Action Group Inc. and other community groups*
- *Community Newspapers*

The WRRRA Committee currently meets on the first Monday night of every 2nd Month.

Meetings are held at the Wilson Community Hall at 7:30 pm.

Next meeting: 6 Feb. 2012

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Editorial

Dear Wilson Residents,

Much of our time and attention this year has been taken up with preparing **WRRRA's** submission to the Western Australian Planning Commission, firstly on the outer Perth and Peel/Central Metropolitan Perth sub-regional development strategy in late December 2010, then the second on proposed changes to the Residential Design Codes (R-Codes) in late September. These are complex issues dealing with the future growth of regional areas around designated centres of commercial interests and planned infill development of Perth's urban residential areas, such as block/building types, transportation needs and the many issues arising from a developer's objectives to maximise infill of residential areas over the adjoining neighbours' needs for restricted overlooking and privacy, and increased consultation.

WRRRA is firmly of the view that in many cases in Wilson, the residential design standards have become skewed too much in favour of the developers to the detriment of the established homeowners. This opinion has been clearly expressed in our submissions.

This is particularly so with some of the infill and high density multi-occupancy dwellings with the associated parking, noise and loss of amenity and other problems created both when the construction is taking place and on completion.

Additionally, **WRRRA** recently made a submission to the City Council to increase the bond deposited with the City by developers to cover damage and reinstatement due to a building development. This bond has now been substantially increased and we thank our councillors as the new rate is designed such that it may curtail some of the more obvious abuses.

We remind all residents that we do not have to put up with uncontrolled dumping of building materials and rubbish on verges and footpaths or the noise and random parking of tradesmen during construction. The City has employed a Compliance Officer to deal with such abuses and a simple phone call to the City of Canning will bring about a speedy and effective response.