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Roe Six Noise Problems Pilot Program

Dr Mike Nahan, the Member for Riverton welcomed Main Roads' plan to establish a pilot program to assist local Parkwood residents who are affected by noise and visual issues from the Roe 6 section of Roe Highway.

"Main Roads has acknowledged that there is a problem in that area and it has established a pilot program to help resolve the noise and visual issues that some of the local residents have been facing," said Dr Nahan.

"Under the pilot program, Main Roads has proposed three treatments – the planting of two rows of mature trees along the highway verge; 10.38mm thick glazing to be applied to the windows and glass doors of five homes in Young Lane, and a 1m high, steel louvre extension to be added to the current noise wall."

"Main Roads has also agreed to provide additional funds to the City of Canning, who manages the area in front of Vellgrove Avenue, to undertake more plantings at that location to help alleviate the noise and visual problems in that area."

Dr Nahan said the local community has been complaining about that section of Roe Highway since it was completed under the State Labor Government back in 2006.

"There is no doubt that the noise wall that was built there four years ago is inadequate, especially when you compare its height and structure to the noise wall that has been built along the nearby Roe 7 stretch of the highway," said Dr Nahan.

"I am pleased to see that the work I have been doing on behalf of the local community on this issue is finally coming to fruition and that the new measures will allow the affected residents to better enjoy the amenity of their homes and outdoor areas."

"However, I have also written to the Minister for Transport, Hon Simon O'Brien, requesting that Main Roads undertake a review of the pilot program in 12 months time to ensure that the new measures are working."

Over the last two years, Dr Nahan has been successful in getting Main Roads to:

- Attend several community meetings to hear the constituents concerns first hand.
- Extend the sand bund in Vellgrove Avenue by 60m and to plant it with trees to help deflect the noise and screen the highway.
- Undertake noise testing at nine residences in that vicinity.
- Plant additional vegetation and trees along the road reserve between Young Lane and Willeri Drive to help screen the highway and alleviate dust problems.

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