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Drivers Must Not Block Intersections When Queuing For Fuel

Dr Mike Nahan, the Member for Riverton called on the community to use caution when queuing up to purchase fuel at the Caltex Service Station on the corner of High Road and Leach Avenue in Riverton to ensure that they do not block the intersection.

"High Road is an extremely busy road at any time of the day or night. Unfortunately, drivers are breaking the law by blocking access to Leach Avenue when they queue up in large numbers to purchase fuel," said Dr Nahan.

"This is an extremely dangerous practice that could lead to a major accident happening at that site. There have already been several near misses and locals have reported experiencing road rage from some of the drivers.

"I have spoken with the officer in charge at Cannington Police who has agreed to speak with the service station owner about the problem and to have police officers target drivers who are obstructing traffic."

"If people experience any problems, I encourage them to ring the police on 131 444 immediately to report the details about the driver and the vehicle, particularly the registration number and a description of the car. If they feel threatened in any way, they should call 000."

"I am aware that similar issues occur at other service stations throughout the district when the fuel is offered at a discount. The City of Canning is undertaking a traffic study into the problem but it really does come down to drivers doing the right thing, obeying the road rules and driving safely."

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