



Free trade could boost car sales

The retail car industry in Victoria Park could benefit from the recent free trade agreements with Japan signed by the federal government earlier this month according to federal member for Swan Steve Irons.

Mr Irons said the trade deal with Japan could provide a consumer-led boom for the car industry in the Victoria Park motor vehicle trading hub.

Under the free trade deal the five per cent tariff on Japanese car imports will be removed immediately on 75 per cent of Japanese cars and fully removed over three

years, resulting in a reduced price for the average Japanese vehicle of about \$1500.

"This is a great deal for businesses and consumers in Victoria Park," Mr Irons said.

"The motor vehicle industry could see a consumer-led boom in sales as the average price of a Japanese vehicle potentially drops by \$1500.

"It will bring people into the area to look at the many Japanese cars on sale in Victoria Park.

"There are many well-known dealerships of Japanese cars in Victoria Park, Burswood and along the Albany Highway into Cannington."