

# Local Crime Update



## Steve Irons on patrol with our local police: Focus on Hubert Street

After receiving emails from East Victoria Park residents concerned about a local crime spike, I decided to join an evening patrol with senior police to investigate the issues first-hand.

**On the patrol we identified a major trouble spot on Hubert Street** which the police have described as a source of anti-social behaviour in the area. Criminals appear to be using a run-down block of land near Franklins Tavern as a staging post for criminal activity up and down the train line.

**I have since been in contact with the council and the State Government and we are working towards cleaning up this area and tackling this issue head on.**



*Steve Irons out on patrol with local police officers*

In addition to notifying the police, I encourage you to let me know if there are any local crime issues that you feel need to be addressed. My office can assist and we have worked with police and authorities to achieve good results for the community in the past.

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## Constituent reports problem to Steve Irons Outcome: Drug lab raid in Cannington

Thank you to the constituent in Cannington who reported a drug lab to me during one of my mobile offices. **My office contacted the authorities and the address was raided days later.**

Since then another person has come forward and provided information anonymously to my office which I have referred to the police. As I have spoken about in the Parliament, it is important to tackle the issue of drug houses in our community, particularly after the dangerous explosions at a house in Carlisle earlier in the year.

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## Tackling Lynwood Alleyway Issue



I have been working with local residents and Cr Tim Dowsett on addressing three alleyways connecting High Road, Arbon Place, Abinger Road and Bannister Creek, which residents say have become a conduit for crime and antisocial behaviour in the area. Syringes are being discovered and fences kicked in on a regular basis. Having surveyed the residents and doorknocked some streets, the great majority want these alleyways closed. A petition to close Abinger to Bannister Creek has been submitted to council as a first step.

We were successful in addressing a similar issue near a school in East Victoria Park last year and I will be working towards getting this issue fixed for the community.



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## Tackling Crime on the Armadale Train Line

Improving safety on the Thornlie-Armadale train line is one my top priorities and I'm pleased to say there has been some recent progress, with the Liberal State Government announcing funding for a Nyoongar Patrol for the line.

When I talk to commuters they tell me that they want to see more of a physical security presence at the stations themselves. This was confirmed in the results of my crime line survey (thanks to everyone who took part). The Nyoongar patrol should help with this and I will continue my campaign for permanent guards at stations.

It is great to see that **Premier Barnett has recently taken a personal interest in this issue, conducting his own late-night patrol of stations on the line in August.**



*Steve wrote to Premier Barnett about the responses to his survey about crime*

## Better street lighting helps reduce crime

East Lynwood residents responding to my recent streetscape survey have reported poor lighting is contributing to crime and anti-social behaviour in the area, particularly in areas close to parks. Better street lighting does help reduce crime and that is why before the last election I fought for and secured a Liberal funding commitment for better lighting for streets in Wilson close to the Canning River Regional Park and at Burswood train station. I will push for better lighting for East Lynwood residents too.

## Steve Irons' recent record on helping to stop crime:

- Successful campaign for improved security measures at Burswood Station.
- Getting a crime prevention fence erected near Baillie Ave after working with the school and local residents.
- Working with the police on the shutting down drug houses in the electorate.
- Achieving commitments for better security lighting in the residential area adjacent to the Canning River Regional Park and CCTV for Lynwood/Ferndale Park.
- Holding a Crime Forum in Queens Park with Attorney General Christian Porter.
- As part of Steve's campaign to get brothels out of residential areas, holding a Brothels and Prostitution Forum at the Belmont RSL in Ascot with Christian Porter.

### Steve's ongoing campaigns:

- Permanent guards at stations on the Thornlie/Armadale Train Line
- Hubert Street campaign



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