

# An update from Senator David Johnston



# Steve Irons MP

your local member for Swan



## Labor's carbon tax a threat to cost of living

Thousands of jobs are at risk across this nation because of Labor's carbon tax and this Prime Minister doesn't care. If this tax is imposed it will do nothing to improve the environment but it will clean out your wallet and destroy jobs. That's the truth of this toxic tax. It's not a climate changer, it's a money changer.

If a carbon tax were set at \$26 per tonne of carbon dioxide emissions, it would add \$300 a year to household power bills for people in Western Australia and add 6.5 cents on every litre of fuel you put into your car and that is just for starters. Each year the price will go up and up and up.

If Australians vote for a Coalition Government, Tony Abbott will get rid of Labor's carbon tax. We believe Australia should remain a country that makes things and exports to the world. Tony Abbott and the Coalition will foster and protect our manufacturing and mining industries. Julia Gillard and Labor want to disadvantage our manufacturers, which will only see us import manufactured products and export our emissions.

The Coalition has a better way. We have a strong and effective policy to reduce emissions by 5 per cent by 2020. We will spend about a billion dollars a year from savings in the budget to deliver more trees, better soil and smarter technology.

Only Tony Abbott and his team of Liberal MP's including Steve Irons will ensure this nation's future is secure.

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## COMMUNITY REPORT



Steve Irons MP and Councillor Travis Burrows discuss the campaign for a Karawara Aquatic Centre at a potential site, the George Burnett Leisure Centre. Cr Burrows will be moving a motion in the council on this issue.

## Campaign for a Karawara Aquatic Centre

On behalf of the community I have started a campaign for a Karawara Aquatic Centre.

Aquatic centres are important community services – particularly for the elderly needing to use hydrotherapy and young families teaching kids how to swim and save their own life.

People in the community have told me they've been missing out on these benefits for years because there is no public aquatic centre in the City of South Perth and neighboring facilities are too far away.

Water attracts people and aquatic centres are the heart of communities in many parts of Western Australia. Other councils have recognised this and have built or are building high class facilities for their citizens.

It is time that people in the City of South Perth have access to similar facilities and I have suggested an aquatic centre could be coupled with the **George Burnett Leisure Centre** in Karawara.

Whilst the council would have to initiate the project, community projects like this do sometimes receive significant contributions from State and Federal sources.

I am working with stakeholders in the community on this proposal and many have come forward in support, including Councillor Burrows who will be introducing a motion into the City of South Perth council soon. You can add your voice and have your say at my website [www.steveirons.com.au](http://www.steveirons.com.au)



Steve Irons participating in the Australian Defence Force Parliamentary Program.

## Saluting their Service

Do you know someone you think deserves recognition for their service in our defence forces or on the home front in the Second World War or in wars, conflicts and peace operations overseas since the Second World War? If so you can nominate them for Certificate of Appreciation from the Commonwealth. Contact my office on 9355 0099 for more details and to check eligibility criteria.

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# Working for the community: A progress report since the August 2010 Federal Election



## Irons on patrol with senior police



## South Perth

Local community survey: Are residents for or against a South Perth Train Station? Have your say at [www.steveirons.com.au](http://www.steveirons.com.au)



## Como (Canning Bridge)

Supporting Como Residents



In a speech in the Federal Parliament I spoke in support of the Como Action Group and their concerns about the new high rise density plans for the Canning Bridge Precinct. Read more on my website [www.steveirons.com.au](http://www.steveirons.com.au)

## Burswood Stadium Announcement



The Premier's announcement of Burswood as the site for the new stadium is great news for our community. I am continuing discussions with West Coast Eagles CEO Trevor Nisbett regarding them potentially moving some of their football departments to Lathlain Oval which would be great for Junior Sport.

## Burswood

Irons tables the important Inquiry he initiated into Youth Suicide on behalf of Burswood-based charity Youth Focus in the Federal Parliament.

## Great Eastern Highway

Commencement of the upgrade after three and a half years of campaigning by Steve.



## Belmont



## Cloverdale

Helping residents with a road safety issue.



## Cloverdale

Community Forum with Tony Abbott

## Carlisle

Campaign for safety improvements at the Cohn/Harris Street intersection



## Victoria Park



## East Victoria Park

Broadband Forum with Malcolm Turnbull



## St James

## Bentley

A health win as Irons stands up for the Canning Division of General Practice to secure important changes to Medicare Local Boundaries.



Cannington Mobile Office

## Belmont

Opening of the HBF Office

During the successful campaign for a Belmont Medicare Office, many community members said they would also value an HBF office. On behalf of the community I helped secure this for the people of Belmont and the facility opened in November 2010.

## Belmont

Steve Irons accepts a certificate of appreciation from the Belmont Probus Club for his community work.



## Queens Park

Calls for an Inquiry into Arachnoiditis

On behalf of a local resident and in my role as Deputy Chair of the House of Representatives Health and Ageing Committee, I have submitted a proposal for a full Inquiry into the situation of thousands of Australians who contracted Arachnoiditis after being injected with radiological dye Pantopaque. Do you suffer from this debilitating condition? Please come forward, contact my office and add your voice to this proposal.

## Cannington

Drug House Raided

Thank you to the constituent who brought this to my attention at my Cannington Mobile Office. My office reported this to the police and the Minister for Police and the house was raided days later – a good result for the community.

## Thornlie/Armadale Train Line

Nyoongar Patrol

I welcome the State Government's announcement of funding for a Nyoongar Patrol to be dedicated to the Thornlie/Armadale Train Line. I will continue pushing for permanent guards at stations.

## Langford

Save Our Senior Citizens Centre

Thank you to the hundreds of Langford residents who signed my petition against a council proposal to charge Langford Senior Citizens Club excessive lease payments, a move that would have likely meant the club would have had to close. Thanks to your support and the good will of councillors the community managed to defeat this proposal.

## Bannister Creek

Bannister Creek Fire Hazard Survey

