

To whom it may concern.

On several occasions over the past years I have made enquiries to the City of Belmont with the then Councillor Ted Teasdale regarding the excessive noise levels within the City of Belmont generated by the Perth Airports.

I have been a resident in the area for more than 40 years and have observed the increase in the noise level and also the increase in air traffic and the change of the flight paths.

I can recall that in the past, being some twenty plus years ago, Perth airports did have a curfew similar to those in NSW & SA where flights were suspended between midnight and 6am, 7 days a week. Unfortunately this was lifted with the increase in flights to the mining sector and also from feedback from Councillor Teasdale the flight time lines and schedules due to Heathrow Airport in England. What relevants this point had I am not sure! Councillor Teasdale also advised that the City of Belmont were more than aware of the fact that the Perth Airport was exceeding the noise level. This was advise by Councillor Teasdale quite some years back and yet not one thing was done about the noise level and Councillor Teasdale was no longer part of the council. Perhaps the City of Belmont did not want to "rock the boat" with the airport as the airport owed more than \$2m in rates to the City of Belmont.

Between the hours of 11pm and 6am daily international flights arrive/depart at the airports and noise is quite loud. To the point that we are woken up by the shaking of house windows and also vibrations that are felt within our property. We have recently had the house painted and the cracks down the walls filled yet again. Talking on the telephone has become a reoccurring mundane task of telling the person on the other end to "hang on a minute a plane is flying over and I can't hear you!"

Many years ago the flights in and out of Perth were directed over the hills and Swan Valley, which makes sense as the population density is far less than in the metropolitan area and would also alleviate the impact of a major disaster should there be an aircraft accident. We have heard on several occasions and from some quite reliable sources that due to some of the more wealthier predominant mining magnates who live in the Lesmurdie, Kalamunda and surrounding areas that they were able to persuade the *then* government to change the flight paths and give them serene peace and thus increase their property values.

As a rate paying resident of the City of Belmont I would like a response to my email and also I would greatly appreciate how these problems will be remedies in the near future.

Yours faithfully

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