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The Secretary
Standing Committee on Climate Change, Water, Environment and the Arts
House of Representatives
Parliament House
PO Box 6021
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Date Received: 15-5-08
Secretary: <i>[Signature]</i>

Dear Sir/Madam,

INQUIRY INTO CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS ON COASTAL COMMUNITIES

I write in regards to the above matter.

The Town of Cottesloe is currently awaiting the delivery from a specialist climate change consultant of a report titled "Cottesloe Foreshore Vulnerability to Climate Change Impacts Project".

The study is being funded by the Federal Attorney-General's departments 'Working Together to Manage Emergencies' program under Emergency Management Australia. To Council's knowledge, this is the first study of its type for Western Australia and the reports content will be of significant interest to Perth metropolitan Local Government Authorities controlling sections of ocean foreshore.

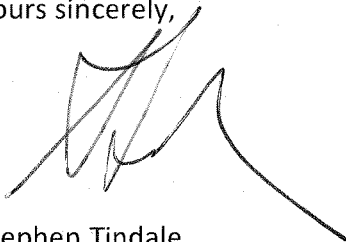
The consultant company, Coastal Zone Management, led by Dr. Robert Kay has undertaken this study to great depth and spread to determine the level of risk confronting the Town of Cottesloe caused by climate change in future years, particularly by 2030 and 2070. It will also provide a template for future similar studies and works through the Federal Governments document "Climate Change Impacts and Risk Management – A Guide for Business and Government" to create a pragmatic direction for local government to undertake such studies as applied to their particular local conditions, geology, shoreline features and infrastructure base.

The Town of Cottesloe, because of its stewardship of one of Perth's prime beach areas, is vitally interested in planning its response to the impact of climate change

and is therefore wishing to be a part of any future debate by State and Federal departments on this matter.

A copy of the final report can be made available to the Standing Committee when completed. This should be by the end of June 2008.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Stephen Tindale', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Stephen Tindale
Chief Executive Officer