

29 Second Ave.
Burns Beach 6028

cc Cr. J. Hollywood
Cr. T. Barnett
Cr. M. O'Brien

October 22nd 2001.

Mr. Clayton Higham,
The Manager,
Planning and Development,
City of Joondalup,
Joondalup 6027.

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Re. Merrifield Pl. Mullaloo

cc DPD
cc MAYOL
cc: CEO.

Dear Clayton,

Further to our discussion of a few days ago, I have decided to formally indicate my views and interest in the matter that was before the General meeting last week.

About 1972/3 my wife and I owned a lot in Merrifield Place (I recall it was lot 1, the one at the southern end). We submitted architects plans and an application for a building permit. After a delay of many months, the application was refused on the grounds that the land on the western side should not be built on as it deprived the public of beach access and also there could be erosion by the ocean, making the land and /or the building unstable. A "Government Dept" negotiated the acquisition of all the blocks on the ocean-side of the street. We were compensated only for the purchase price of the block, plus an amount equal to the lost interest and the cost of the architects preparation and submission of the building application. From memory, the block purchase price was \$12500 and we were paid a sum of about \$14300.

I understand that all the blocks on the ocean-side of Merrifield Place are still *zoned as residential*. It concerns me that even though we were refused in 1973, the opportunity to build on what was then a proper residential lot, no action has since been taken to remove this zoning. We reluctantly agreed to the decision at the time, but over the years have been regularly watching the location to ensure that no development or activity took place.

We seek an acknowledgement from the City of Joondalup, that no development will take place in the future, except perhaps the provision of a grassed picnic area. This would agree with the original concept of public access. We would be most disturbed if entrepreneurs (or The city of Joondalup) were to contemplate any development of the area by the erection of a restaurant, kiosk, surf club amenities or even housing, because the zoning is still applicable. The grounds for refusal to build in 1973 would, or should, be even more strenuously enforced in today's more enlightened times.

Yours truly,

Kevin and Doris Brabazon

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Regards

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