LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL Question Without Notice

(Of which some notice has been given)

Tuesday 2 April 2019

C272. Hon Robin Chappie MLC to The Minister for the Environment

I refer to the photographs found here: https://robinchapple.com/2019-04-02-woodside-litter depicting litter discarded by the side of the Withnell Bay Road, just near the Woodside gates, and ask:

- 1. Does the Minister know who is responsible for contravening Western Australia's litter laws?
- 2. Does the Minister know who is responsible for the prevention of the litter found in this area?
- 3. Does the Minister know who is responsible for the enforcement of penalties for the litter found in this area?
- 4. If those responsible are identified, will the Minister enforce the maximum penalties for littering offences of \$5,000 for individuals and \$10,000 for corporations?

Answer:

- 1. No.
- 2. The Keep Australia Beautiful Council works with a range of organisations and the community to implement strategies in order to prevent and reduce littering.
- 3. The Keep Australia Beautiful Council administers the *Litter Act 1979* which establishes the offence provisions relating to litter.
- 4. Should a matter proceed to Court, it is the responsibility of the Magistrate to determine any penalty if there is a conviction.

Hon Stephen Dawson MLC

MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT; DISABILITY SERVICES; ELECTORAL AFFAIRS