



Dogs West Member Submission on
STOP PUPPY FARMING



Name	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Breed(s)	Welsh Corgi (Cardigan)
Phone Number	[REDACTED]
Years involved	20 years
Family involved?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<i>Addition to my comments already sent in</i>	<p>I am the owner of a licensed kennel property in Southern River. As such I have been paying a bulk registration fee for all of my dogs, regardless of whether they have been sterilised or not. I currently pay an Annual Licence and Bulk Registration fee of \$360 to cover up to 15 dogs. I provide data to the City of Gosnells in relation to those dogs; name, age, breed, microchip number, etc. This data is updated annually and I am issued with a number of ID tags and a bulk licence.</p> <p>It is recognised and documented that dogs in the kennel zone are not creating work for rangers, rarely stray off their properties, do not cause nuisance barking, and certainly do not generate complaints from neighbours.</p> <p>Most of the owners of kennel properties have breeding, show or performance stock, but many also have large numbers of oldies that love where they live and it would be difficult to re-home them. They are not productive but are very much loved as valuable members of the family. It is also beneficial for people to see what is behind the pup they may be getting, how their pup will age, how long it will live and the overall health of my dogs.</p> <p>In light of the fact that I am a good dog owner, do not cause work for ranger services, provide annual updates on current dogs and have budgeted for the bulk licence, I ask that you maintain this charge for licensed kennel properties; specifically I want my current licence fee of \$360 for 15 dogs to remain.</p> <p>This number gives me the flexibility to raise puppies for longer in order to make decisions regarding their future potential. Furthermore I run a boarding kennel business and it is important for my business that this clause is retained to indicate the maximum numbers I am licensed to house at any given time. Boarding numbers fluctuate and are seasonal. Boarding kennels are much in demand during Christmas and Easter but I also have regular boarders throughout the year.</p>