



Dogs West Member Submission on  
**STOP PUPPY FARMING**



Name	Jim Spargo
Email address	[REDACTED]
Prefix or Member #	[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 and pay a bulk registration fee for all of my dogs, regardless of their reproductive status. I currently pay an Annual Licence and Bulk Registration fee of \$360 to cover up to 15 dogs and provide data to the City of Gosnells in relation to those dogs that are resident on my property; name, age, breed, microchip number, etc. This data is updated annually and the Shire issues 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>As well as the dogs I show and breed with I also have large a number 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. People who are buying puppies also like to see the older dogs as they can 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 my licensed kennel property; specifically I want my current licence fee of \$360 for 15 dogs to remain.</p> <p>This number enables to keep 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. The boarding business is partly seasonal being busiest at Christmas and Easter, thus numbers fluctuate but I also have regular boarders throughout the year.</p>