

**12.1 Petition – Vacant Blocks Abraham Place/ Gratwick Terrace/ Mapstone Street, Murdoch**

A petition signed by 6 residents of the City of Melville was received on Wednesday 5 October 2022 and reads as follows:

*“We the undersigned, all being electors of the City of Melville, respectfully request that the Council ensures that the six blocks on the corners of Gratwick Terrace/ Abraham Place/Mapstone Street Murdoch are kept in a neat condition or developed with a single residence on each block.*

*This is in line with residents’ expectations of safety, pleasant outlook, good governance and well-being. This would rid residents of an eyesore which some find depressing.*

*It is believed that the overgrown, untidy condition of these blocks affects the value of properties in the area and also that potential buyers of neighbouring properties may be wary of what may be built on these six vacant blocks.*

*Given that more of the suburb is well maintained, one wonder why this blot on the landscape has been allowed to exist for so long.”*

Attached to this petition was a document that included the signatures of a further 26 residents, that reads as follows:

*“Petition to Melville City Council re improvement to the vacant blocks corner Gratwick Tce/ Abraham Place/ Mapstone Street.”*

**OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

**That the petition bearing 6 signatures of residents be acknowledged and a report be prepared for the 13 December 2022 Ordinary Meeting of Council.**