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| <b>Presented to</b>    | December Ordinary Meeting of Council                        |
| <b>Related to Item</b> | Submission to Draft Position Statement: Child Care Premises |
| <b>Submitted by</b>    | Cr Fitzgerald   |
| <b>Attachments</b>     | Nil   |

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| <b>With Notice</b>              | to be provided 5 clear working days prior to the meeting  |
| <b>Without Notice</b>           | an absolute majority resolution of the Council will be required for the motion to be considered |
| <b>For Urgent Consideration</b> | Mayoral approval required   |

**That the Council requests the CEO to prepare a submission in response to the State Governments' 'Draft Position Statement: Child Care Premises', advocating for adoption of the council's policies on childcare centres. The submission should also advocate for the explicit adoption of internationally accepted standards on air quality as a requirement for assessment of the appropriate location of childcare centres in that policy statement.**

**Objective, Benefit and Potential Risks to be considered:**

- Advocacy to the State Government on a matter of importance to the City of Melville.
- Ensuring that childcare centres are in safe, appropriate locations.

**Reasons for the Motion**

1. The State Government has sought input on its 'Draft Position Statement: Child Care Premises'. Advocacy to other levels of government is one of the key functions of the City.
2. The City of Melville has recently attempted to make changes to its planning policies with respect to the location of childcare centres. To the extent that the State Government can be persuaded to adopt a position statement which reflects those policies we will be better placed to effect those changes.
3. Importantly, the draft position statement **does not**, at present, mandate assessment of air quality against international accepted standards. Rather, it only notes at 5.5 that it is undesirable that "Noise and/or emissions generated by roads, railways and aerodromes or airports are likely to have an adverse impact on the childcare premises."
4. Specific reference to the internationally accepted air quality standards is highly desirable.

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