



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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## **\$4 MILLION JETTY FUNDING PROMISE**

Today Premier Colin Barnett announced \$4 million towards the Tanker Jetty project if re-elected. The Shire of Esperance welcomed this announcement and will continue to work with State Government in developing a recreational jetty for the Esperance community.

Shire President Victoria Brown said "This announcement will allow us to take a big step forward in what has been an emotional and controversial project. This means we can now move on to giving our community what we all want which is an open recreational jetty that Esperance locals and visitors can enjoy."

The conservation order on the jetty is yet to be lifted and the Shire will work with heritage specialists and the Heritage Council, before further plans are put forward to the Heritage Minister. The Heritage Council has already approved the Shire's archive record of the existing structure and a heritage interpretation plan which will help guide the replacement.

"This jetty is an iconic landmark in our region, particularly its length and its curve. Maximising these characteristics and preserving its heritage value, whilst keeping the structure sustainable for the future is the balancing act that the Shire's Jetty Replacement Working Group is trying to resolve," Cr Brown said.

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