



# Bill Marmion

Your State Member for Nedlands



*Your Voice Within Government*

## *Dear Resident,*

In my role as Member for Nedlands, I have been involved in a number of issues with constituents and Mayors, including: local government reform; installation of flashing 40 km/h school signs; organising safer cycle paths, and the ongoing Sunset Hospital transformation.

In 2013 I was privileged to play a part in the Nedlands Primary School's hugely successful Centenary celebrations. It was a year in which the Nedlands PS Centenary Committee did an outstanding job in organising many exciting events, including the Centenary Open Day and Centenary Community Concert.

At the time of going to press, Subiaco Primary School is scheduled to have its 40 km/h school signs commissioned, installed and running as part of the Liberal-National Government's commitment to make road safety one of its top priorities. When the 40 km/h lights are installed in Bagot Road, it will mean that Shenton College and the following primary schools: Jolimont; Moerlina; Quintilian and Subiaco, will all have these important road safety devices to warn motorists.

In support of encouraging more overseas investment in WA's mining sector, I recently visited Hong Kong for the international Mines and Money Conference, and also Tokyo and Beijing. It was my first trip to China and I was surprised at the level of atmospheric pollution in Beijing at the time. To address this high level of particulates in the atmosphere (420 parts per million on my visit -Perth is 6 ppm) I see a large market for WA's LNG and uranium for many decades to come.

In my other portfolio of Housing I am on target to deliver the Government's Housing Affordability Strategy by creating 20,000 new affordable homes by 2020. The aim of this strategy is to move people out of Department of Housing houses into either renting in the private sector, or purchasing their own home. By ensuring there are enough affordable homes available in the market by building them ourselves, we are addressing this. This has also resulted in a reduction in the housing waiting list.

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Bill with NextGen executive staff

## LotteryWest supports Aboriginal history

A LotteryWest grant of \$23,000 was awarded to the City of Subiaco to support an innovative Aboriginal oral history project to capture the valuable oral histories of 13 Aboriginal community members.

Attending the awards ceremony were City of Subiaco Mayor Heather Henderson, LotteryWest board member Stephen Carre and Peter Katsambanis MLC.

## New NextGen data centre is state-of-the-art

NextGen's new state-of-the-art data centre in Shenton Park was officially opened recently. Present at the opening were Cambridge Mayor Simon Withers and Nedlands Mayor Max Hipkins. It is the NextGen Group's second data centre in Perth and provides much needed capacity for business and industry in WA to house their in-house IT and cloud capabilities. The building boasts outstanding energy saving technologies, making it an extremely low cost service provider.



## ANZAC Day 2014 at Subiaco RSL

The Honorary Consul of Ireland Marty Kavanagh (pictured above), joined a growing list of wreath layers at this year's Subiaco RSL ANZAC Day memorial ceremony. The Subiaco service was extremely well-attended and featured WA opera singer Terry Burrige, who brought back some well-chosen memories with songs from the wars.

## Tropicana gold mine officially opens

The Tropicana gold mine is located about 330 kilometres east north-east of Kalgoorlie and it was my privilege to officially open the mine in March.

I am pictured here stamping a gold bar with Sipho Pityana, Chairman of AngloGold Ashanti Ltd, the owners of the mine. Mr Pityana was a Minister in President Mandela's first Cabinet in South Africa.



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