

# Fixing the Esperance Jetty



Since 1935 the Esperance Tanker Jetty has stretched out into Esperance Bay. Built as a deep water wharf, it was initially used to unload bulk fuel and load grain for export but following the construction of the Esperance Port in the mid-1960s, it has been used primarily for recreation purposes and fishing.

In 1988 the length of the jetty was reduced from 192 piers to 143 piers as a result of storm damage. The jetty has fallen into further disrepair and is no longer safe.

It is one of only three remaining long timber jetties in Western Australia and is entered in the State Register of Heritage Places.

## Our Commitment

A re-elected Liberal Government will contribute \$4 million towards replacing the heritage-listed Esperance jetty, while retaining some of the original elements of the structure.

The Shire of Esperance has \$2 million of the funding required for the jetty works and with this additional \$4 million, it can progress a plan that meets the expectations of the Esperance community while reflecting its history.

A Liberal Government will ensure that the people of Esperance will be able to have a jetty that appropriately incorporates heritage features and provides a community asset for many decades to come.



## Heritage Respected

Heritage Minister Albert Jacob placed an on-going conservation order on the jetty in December 2016.

For the conservation order to be lifted, the Shire of Esperance is required to develop a funded and detailed design for a jetty in consultation with the Heritage Council that meets the needs of the local community.

This commitment complements the Government's contribution to maintaining other historic jetties including the Busselton jetty, which was restored and reopened in 2011.



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