

Beach not bitumen is best policy

The West Australian 15 Nov 2016 Scarborough beachfront.



Having been resident on the coast for 40 years I am dismayed by the Metropolitan Development Authority's plan to push an ugly black bitumen road, and accompany-

ing traffic, through pristine bush and dunes as an extension of the Scarborough Esplanade.

With a coast as uniquely beautiful as we have in the West we should

be enhancing the area with appropriate vegetation and tree cover that softens the hard edges to the built elements of the Scarborough redevelopment.

We should not be destroying a large area of precious existing natural vegetation.

Putting the proposed road through this area — thus creating an ugly and dangerous barrier to the beach — seems to be in direct opposition to the intent of making Scarborough a more attractive and people



friendly place. There has to be a better, more creative solution for making Scarborough the iconic Australian beachfront that most West Australians would support. The slogans Keep Australia Beautiful and Beach Not Bitumen need to be given more weight and properly addressed before this project is finalised. Fran Maloney, Trigg