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General News

Traffic will not be a problem, says report

AN executive summary of Riley Consulting's report, commissioned by Port Rockingham's Project managers Benchmark Projects to consider traffic issues associated with the proposed development, says traffic is predicted to operate in an acceptable manner.

Benchmark project manager Chris Carman said at this week's community consultation meetings that maximum forecast traffic increases on all roads could be expected to operate in an acceptable manner.

He said major road widening would not be required for the proposed development as it would be resisted because of the significant local amenity impacts involved.

Mr Carman was responding to questions from the floor after the presentation of the Public Environmental Review document.

Mr Carman also allayed concerns expressed in a letter to the editor by Rockingham Beach Road resident Geoff Simpson, who claimed there would be 215 parking bays with 5,857 vehicles competing for them.

Mr Carman said there was a statutory requirement of 478 bays for the project, but plans were for 575 bays.