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Mr Kevin Wilson



Leading Firefighter **MFB**



SUBMISSION CONTENT:

My name is Kevin Wilson I am 53 and I work at Bundoora Fire station. I am a Leading Firefighter and have worked for the MFB for 27 years.

During my career I have been stationed along the old metropolitan areas at Somerton, Greensborough, Thomastown, Lalor, Epping and Bundoora.

I have lived in the region my entire life. The population has increased significantly in the last 10-20 years.

My Parents house was along the edge of the Metropolitan area bordering Parade College.

I now live along the border of South Morang and Mernda and there is housing estates from my old home to the existing home.

As well as a massive amount of new homes there are hospitals and several retirement homes and nursing homes.

I cannot believe that all these people rely on volunteer brigades attending when it is a metropolitan area.

I understand the role of Volunteer brigades and admire every person who chooses to be involved.

I have been to many calls from Epping, Thomastown, Somerton, Greensborough and Bundoora fire stations when the volunteer brigades have not arrived on scene or are delayed.

This is very dangerous.

It is dangerous to the public and the MFB.

I strongly believe the public deserve a Professional service 24/7.

When an area becomes large enough it should have the same services that the city is entitled too.

This long running dispute has caused me to be severely depressed resulting in ill health and was the major cause of my marriage break up.

Please come to a sensible decision and let us do our job!

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