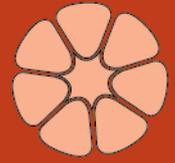




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**Natasha Fyles**  
MEMBER FOR NIGHTCLIFF



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### RESIDENTS CONCERNED ABOUT NIGHTCLIFF ISLAND

Member for Nightcliff, Natasha Fyles, in Parliament today raised the concerns of residents who attended her community meeting last night.

“In Question Time in Parliament today I raised the concerns of residents with the Minister for Lands and Planning, Peter Chandler,” Ms Fyles said.

“But the Minister tried to pretend the proposed Nightcliff Island development had nothing to do with him despite allowing exploration to take place.

“It was the Minister who granted the crown lease over the 98 hectares of land off the Nightcliff foreshore to the developers.

Ms Fyles said the residents have many questions surrounding the proposed development because the CLP Government is keeping them in the dark.

“Many residents want to know how this proposed development will affect them,” Ms Fyles said.

“The area flagged for the development is a popular space for locals walking, fishing and is an important part of our harbour and foreshore.

“These residents want to know that does the lease that was granted prevent them from continuing to use this land as public space – will they be considered to be trespassing under the conditions of this lease.

During her adjournment speech Ms Fyles spoke about the petition she had received from a young primary school resident.

“Nightcliff residents do not want an island in their harbour,” Ms Fyles said. “Families and even children in the area are worried about what the Government is going to allow in this area so much so that a young school girl has taken it upon herself to petition her street to save the beach her and her family love.”

Ms Fyles said the overwhelming desire from the meeting was that they did not want an island development built in their harbour.

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