



## MINISTER FOR POLICE; ROAD SAFETY; DEFENCE INDUSTRY; VETERANS ISSUES



Thank you for your correspondence of 11 April 2022 regarding the limited places for off-road vehicles to be used.

The Western Australia Police Force advise that the circumstances surrounding the initial seizure by Wundowie Police was for an off-road vehicle (ORV) being ridden on a road. The seizure, and subsequent management of monies derived from the sales of the ORV is governed by the Road Traffic Act, with surplus funding going to the Road Trauma Trust Account.

WA Police Force further advise that the response given by Wundowie Police does not suggest there is plenty of bush land in the Shire of Northam appropriate for recreational ORV use, however, there are plenty of areas outside the shire the ORV can use.

I understand that you were contacted on 19 May 2022 by Sergeant Tilt to discuss and clarify the concerns raised in your correspondence. I am further advised you indicated your satisfaction and thanked Sergeant Tilt for the call.

Issues pertaining to the Control of Vehicles (Off Road Areas) Act 1978 fall within the responsibilities of the Minister for Local Government. I have therefore forwarded a copy of your correspondence to the Minister for Local Government for consideration.

I trust this clarifies the position of the WA Police Force.

Yours sincerely

**HON PAUL PAPALIA CSC MLA**  
**MINISTER FOR POLICE**

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