



Tim MANDER MP

Member for **Everton**

Media Release

Australia Post says no to Everton Park Postal Services

Australia Post has refused pleas from Everton Park residents to provide a local Post Office.

In a response to a letter from State Member for Everton requesting they reopen a service, Australia Post blamed an “ongoing decline of customers” for the closure of Everton Park Post Office.

Angry Everton Park residents are bewildered by this cost cutting exercise especially in light of the recent multi-million dollar given to outgoing CEO Ahmed Fahour.

State Member for Everton, Tim Mander echoed the calls for the Post Office to remain open.

Mr Mander said “Mr Fahour received \$10.8 million payout after quitting earlier this year”.

“His superannuation pay of \$1.75 million alone could fund the local Everton Park post office for at least five more years, and his \$4 million in bonuses could have kept it open for over a decade,” he added.

“The response from Australia Post is not acceptable for a government-owned company to back out of providing essential services,” Mr Mander said.

Vietnam veteran Bob Emery was outraged at the closure of the Post Office saying “Brookside and Stafford City are too far away for a 70 year old Vietnam Veteran such as myself (and many other elderly local residents) to be able to conveniently visit for Post Office Services.”

A petition endorsed by Tim Mander gained 1500 signatures in 3 weeks and has been tabled in federal parliament.

A response is due in late November.

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INTERVIEW OPPORTUNITIES: Mr Mander and Mr Emery are available for further comments/interview about the closure of the Post Office as local residents continue to campaign for the Post Office to re-open.

