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PUBLIC WARNING ABOUT PREMIER FENCING

ACT Attorney General Simon Corbell has reminded people in the community to avoid having any dealings with Mr Wayne Kelly who trades as Premier Fencing.

“Just over two years ago the Commissioner for Fair Trading issued a Public Warning about Premier Fencing. At that time the then Office of Fair Trading had obtained judgments against Wayne Kelly to repay deposits that had been taken and no work had followed, and to compensate for faulty work.

“Issuing a Public Warning is an extremely serious sanction reserved for traders who fail to make good previous problems or continue to reoffend in a similar way.

“Mr Kelly has not fully complied with those judgements, and has been the subject of a significant number of new complaints since that time. On the basis of the advice given to me, I have formed the view that Mr Kelly takes money from customers while not providing a complete and satisfactory service – if indeed any service at all is forthcoming.

“Additionally, Mr Kelly has not acknowledged or responded to correspondence from the Office of Regulatory Services, and he fails to return calls or reply to letters from affected customers. Rather than heed the public warning and take steps to lift his performance, Mr Kelly appears to have chosen to carry on business regardless.

“This tale is not about a well intentioned trader who is having some problems. It is about Mr Kelly promoting himself as a reliable trader while draining money from people in our community.

“I urge people to avoid having any dealings with Mr Wayne Kelly or Premier Fencing, and if anyone has already engaged Mr Kelly to undertake fencing services, they should not provide a significant deposit or full payment before the work has been satisfactorily completed”.

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