



CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT TO ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2023 FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1 JANUARY TO 31 DECEMBER 2022

Introduction

UBC is the Peak Body for bushland conservation groups: We are a community association of ~90 member groups (each with their own local membership from 10-165 individuals) and 100+ individual members – all of whom have a common interest in the conservation of our natural biodiversity, with a particular focus on urban bushlands and wetlands. UBC is wholly volunteer led and relies on membership fees, donations, grants, and volunteer hours to deliver on our advocacy role of being a public voice for what remains of our urban bushland and wetlands, especially on the Swan Coastal Plain and surrounding areas.

This report should be read in that context.

Despite all our advocacy meetings, and submissions and appeals sent during the year, there remains inadequate protection of our endangered Banksia Woodlands and critically endangered Tuart Forests and Woodlands, and of our iconic endangered species such as Carnaby's Cockatoo, Forest Red-tailed Black Cockatoo, and the Numbat – our State fauna emblem. Threats and threatening processes are not being controlled and adequately managed. Land clearing of vegetation that is supposed to be protected is being allowed, patch by patch.

Lack of government commitment and funding to protect and properly manage our southwest global biodiversity hotspot, and especially the Bush Forever Comprehensive, Adequate and Representative (CAR) reserve system remain a major issue.

2022 Highlights

Bush Forever 21st Celebration

It was a beautiful setting at the Herdsman Lake Discovery Centre where 90 people gathered in the early evening of Friday 14 October 2022 to celebrate the 21st birthday of Bush Forever. That policy was announced in state parliament in 2000 by Planning Minister Graham Keirath and Environment Minister Cheryl Edwardes. So, 21 years later, speakers re-lived the development of the Bush Forever policy and reminded all present of the importance of Bush Forever in accessible terms. Read more [here](#).

Workshop – Understanding the EP Act (1986) and how it can save urban bushland

This workshop focused on the *Environmental Protection Act (1986)* and its role in protecting WA's dwindling urban bushland. Participants included around 50 UBC members from over 30 Friends groups across Perth. Our contributors were Professor Matthew Tonts, EPA; Dr Hugh Finn, Curtin University; Tim Macknay, EDO; Mary Gray OAM, Marg Owen OAM and Colma Keating all from UBC.

The event was recorded and a summary of the workshop presentations plus videos are available from the UBC website in the [Resources](#) section.

Campaigning Highlights

Underwood Avenue – the Friends of Underwood Avenue Bushland have finally been provided with access to the bushland for community weeding.

Launch of 'Keep Carnaby's Flying - Ngoolarks Forever' project. UBC is a partner organisation in this project being led by Murdoch University. The project will develop black cockatoo Conservation Action Plans to help guide revegetation activities that support the survival of endangered Carnaby's cockatoos in our city.

UBC actively contributed to the *Save the Black Cockatoos* Campaign and also *Black Cockatoo Crisis* film which was launched on Wednesday 23 November 2022.

Memberships

At 31 December 2022, *UBC Membership* was 88 Member Groups and 103 supporters. Thank you to everyone who supports UBC, your presence makes our organisation stronger.

UBC welcomed 8 new *member groups* during 2022:

1. Lower Helena Association Inc
2. Churchlands Bush Forever Inc
3. Blackadder/Woodbridge Catchment Group
4. Friends of Hillarys and Kallaroo Foreshore
5. Friends of Perry Lakes Inc.
6. Friends of Cantonment Hill
7. Woodvale Waters Friends of Beenyup Channel
8. The Orchid Society of WA Inc

Inaugural Honorary Life Memberships awarded at the 2022 AGM to Beth Schultz AO, Mary Gray OAM

Grants

In 2022, UBC held 8 grants including acting as sponsor on 6 grants for unincorporated Member Groups, with grant income of \$120,104.

We launched our State NRM funded project "*Building community capacity to care for urban bushland*" with the appointment of Johanna Riddell as project officer working with 4 existing Friends groups; one newly formed Friends group and with City of Stirling to form a new group in one of their bushland areas.

The *Volunteer Grant* that we received via the Department of Social Services funded our very successful workshop held on 20 November.

Committee operations

We have participated in **training** on succession planning and risk management as well as changing the way we do things by adopting UBC specific email addresses and using Microsoft Teams for internal collaboration. We have started implementing a Committee (or Board) / Subcommittee **operating structure** so that committee meetings don't get bogged down in detail and subcommittees can just get on with their work. We welcome membership to our subcommittees – they are an excellent way to learn and contribute.

The following **subcommittees** are either in operation or in development: (i) Advocacy; (ii) Communications and (iii) Submissions.

We have applied for **Deductible Gift Reciprocity** as an important first step in attracting donors to our cause of protecting urban bushland. This required changes to our Rules, and these were passed at the General Meeting held on 29 November.

We spent part of our reserve funds on the appointment of a part-time, short term **Executive Officer. Vicki Caulfield** joined us on 15 September for 6 months at 2 days per week. She has led our DGR process, made our EPA Workshop on 20 November happen and helped initiate a submissions subcommittee.

Our People

Mary Gray OAM: Mary was awarded a Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) in the Queen's Birthday 2022 Honours for her contribution to conservation and the environment over many decades.

Bush Forever Update

Bush Forever Audit 2021: Honourable Jessica Stojkovski MLA, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Transport; Planning; and Ports released the [Bush Forever Audit 2021](#) at the Bush Forever Celebration on 14 October. The Audit report included an interactive online feature that you can find at [Keeping the bush in the city](#). Quotes from the BF Audit: *In 2000, Bush Forever identified 51,200 hectares of regionally significant bushland on the Swan Coastal Plain portion of the Perth Metropolitan Region to be protected through a number of differing and alternative mechanisms. And now, 21 years later, 99 per cent of that vegetation remains intact, a significant achievement.* (P4).

Thus, while much of the focus of implementing Bush Forever over the last 20 years has been on acquisition and reservation of bushland, management responsibilities and funding will become more important. (P33)

Continuing request for the completion of Bush Forever: UBC continues to advocate for the completion of Bush Forever and for the purchase of sites still outstanding and for the transfer of Bush Forever areas from the care of the WA Planning Commission (WAPC) to either the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) or the appropriate Local Government Authority (LGA). We do this at meetings with the Minister for the Environment, through Questions on Notice to State parliament and through meetings with staff from government agencies. The 2022 Bush Forever Round Table between UBC and state government agencies (DBCA, Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage (DPLH), was held on 25 July at DBCA offices in Kensington.

Other conservation issues

WA Biodiversity 2022 – Issues & Actions

Early in 2022 UBC, along with The Wetlands Conservation Society, produced the WA Biodiversity 2022 - Issues and Actions paper. We advocated widely that people read the paper to understand the lack of effective protection, the lack of funding and capacity to protect and manage biodiversity and the Actions needed to help save what is left. [Link here](#). We highlighted that there is a continuing loss of biodiversity due to lack of effective and legally enforced protection of biodiversity; and lack of WA Government funding for capacity to control threats and properly manage native vegetation in the conservation reserve system and on other lands. We also met with other environmental NGOs to seek their support for the document.

Campaigning for the protection of black cockatoos

- *Save the Black Cockatoos:* This campaign has involved a number of organisations including UBC and operated throughout 2022. Paddy Cullen was employed as the campaigner by the WA Forest Alliance. A key tactic in this campaign was the third-party referral made by Dr Hugh Finn to protect the remaining pines in the Gngangara Pine Plantation from removal. See our [UBC Campaign page](#) for more information.
- *Film - Black Cockatoo Crisis:* This film was created during 2022 and launched on 23 November.

Mountain bike trails

UBC participated in a workshop on West Cycle's development of a 'State Mountain Bike Strategy' held at Department of Local Government. Bike trails are a significant issue in many bushland areas.

UBC supported Friends of Manning Park Ridge's campaign to ban mountain biking on Manning Park Ridge.

Fire

UBC made a submission to the *Fire as a Key Threatening Process* consultation.

UBC also noted the Leeuwin Group's recommendations relating to the need for the threatened biodiversity hotspot in southwest Western Australia to have special protection from frequent fire.

Collaboration with other conservation NGOs

UBC met with Wildflower Society of WA (WSWA) and with Birdlife WA (BWA) to discuss how we could work collaboratively, especially on submissions.

UBC met with a number of other NGOs to present the WA Biodiversity 2022 – Issues and Actions paper.

Meetings with Ministers and Senior Government officers

Minister for Environment

Meetings were held with Minister Whitby on 7 February, 9 May, 4 August (met with staff, Minister not available) whilst October's scheduled meeting was cancelled. Issues canvassed included Bush Forever; State of Environment; conservation management budget for DBCA; Gngangara pines.

Other ministers

Requests to meet with the **Minister for Planning** were unsuccessful. However, UBC did meet with Jessica Stojkovski, the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Transport; Planning; Ports on 30 May 2022.

UBC met with the **Minister for Water**, Dave Kelly on 13 April about the Gngangara Water Allocation Plan; reinstatement of 3 EPPs, updating Wetlands Conservation Policy and Wetland Buffer Guidelines.

UBC also met with **Minister for Housing** on 1 November with regards to supply of land for housing and implications for areas of Banksia Woodlands

Chair of EPA

The UBC met with Professor Matthew Tonts, **Chair of the EPA** on 21 April 2022 via MS Teams. Professor Tonts then made a presentation at the UBC workshop on the EP Act on 20 November 2022.

Lee McIntosh, **Deputy Chair of EPA** was the UBC keynote speaker for the 2022 AGM and spoke on the topic of the EPA's role in protecting biodiversity'.

DWER / NGO Roundtable

The DWER/NGO roundtable Friday 6 May from 12 – 1.30 pm via MS Teams highlighted ongoing concerns around clearing.

Grants and Projects

State NRM grant

State NRM allocated partial funding towards the project "Building community capacity to care for urban bushland" and Project Officer Johanna Riddell commenced a 12-month part-time appointment in late May. Johanna has worked with Friends of Star Swamp Bushland, the Friends of Trigg Bushland, the Friends of Wireless Hill, the Friends of Lake Gwelup, the Friends of Erindale Road Bushland and with officers in the City of Stirling to form the Friends of Cottonwood Bushland. She presented a progress report at our General Meeting on 29 November. The project findings will be presented in May prior to project conclusion at the end of May. Heidi Hardisty, Christine Richardson, Mary Gray and Colma Keating have provided valuable input to the project. Thank you.

Volunteer grant

UBC used its Australian Government funded Volunteer Grant to deliver a workshop titled: *Understanding the Environmental Protection Act to save urban bushland* on Sunday 20 November from 1 pm at CWLH. External speakers were Prof Matthew Tonts (Chair of EPA), Dr Hugh Finn (Curtin University) and Tim Macknay (Environmental Defenders' Office (EDO) and they were joined by UBC experts Mary Gray, Marg Owen and Colma Keating. The workshop was filmed, and videos created from the content are available from the UBC website.

Executive Officer, UBC

UBC appointed Vicki Caulfield to a part-time, 6-month contract as Executive Officer to assist the Committee to get several projects started. Vicki has been instrumental in lodging our application for DGR status and has worked closely with Colma Keating to develop a great framework to support submission writing and to establish a Submissions Subcommittee. Vicki also drove the delivery of our very successful workshop on "Understanding the EP Act to save urban bushland". Now we need funding to keep this role going.

Sponsor for Friends groups

UBC agreed to sponsor the following projects for unincorporated member groups:

- Friends of Inglewood Triangle – State NRM: Consolidating an ecological linkage in inner city Inglewood' - \$10,650
- Friends of Inglewood Triangle – Australian Government Volunteer grant: \$2,500
- Friends of Coolbinia Bushland – Australian Government - Stronger Communities R7: 'Upgrade pathways, fence installation'. \$10,500
- Friends of Coolbinia Bushland – Australian Government Volunteer Grant: \$2,000

Keep Carnaby's Flying - Ngoolarks Forever

UBC agreed to participate as a partner organisation the grant application to Lotterywest of the Keep Carnaby's Flying -Ngoolarks Forever program being proposed by Murdoch University. That project has been funded, UBC will receive funding to facilitate engagement of Friends groups in the project; Heidi Hardisty represents UBC on the community engagement committee (CAEC) and Professor Kris Warren will speak on the project to the 2023 UBC AGM.

Strategic and Operational matters

Strategic and Operational Plan

The 2022 Committee worked diligently to implement the decisions of its strategic planning day in November 2022 and has achieved many of the targets that we set ourselves for 2022.

Succession planning and a review of **governance** procedures were addressed through training and discussion. The Committee was very attracted to the concept of separating 'Board' and 'Operational' roles where a Board (or committee) is focussed on governance and subcommittees carry out the delivery of projects or tasks. We recognised that the advantages of using subcommittees include being able to bring non-committee into delivery of tasks. This structure will require clear terms of reference and delegations so that the responsibilities of subcommittees vis a vis the committee are known and understood.

Our UBC Rules make provision for using subcommittees and subsidiary offices.

With regards **Succession**, we agreed to move towards a continuous process that plans for people to move on from committee roles. This also means close attention to knowledge retention for the organisation and ensuring there is knowledge transfer from one person to the next.

We committed to continue targeted conservation efforts whilst supporting committee, working groups and members even better.

Application for DGR status (following on from work in 2021)

Following on from work done in 2021, the UBC Committee agreed to seek Deductible Gift Reciprocity status in order to seek funds through philanthropy strategies. This task was progressed by Executive Officer Vicki Caulfield and required approval of changes to the UBC rules (or governing document); the establishment of a separate bank account as well as the formation of the UBC Gift Fund Management Committee. The Rules update were approved by DMIRS and then the application was lodged with the Register of Environmental Organisations. UBC now awaits approval from 2 federal Ministers.

Changes to Rules

In addition to including Rules to manage deductible gift reciprocity, UBC also undertook a 5 year review of existing Rules and made some changes to a number of rules. These were approved as special resolutions at the General Meeting on 29 November. These rule changes have been approved by DMIRS. The updated rules are now available on the UBC website, on the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC) website and on the Commerce website.

Subcommittees

During 2022 the UBC Committee did more of its operational work via subcommittees or steering groups. During 2022, the committee developed a set of general principles to guide the operation of subcommittees with the key concept being that subcommittees implement strategy – they do the work.

Advocacy Subcommittee (ASC)

The Advocacy Subcommittee was the first subcommittee formed and has operated throughout 2022 with Lynn MacLaren as its convenor. This subcommittee was established to focus on the role of advocacy we aimed to create momentum for change at a time when urban bushland faces multiple threats, to strengthen the effectiveness of collaborations, and to establish a team approach to mitigate the risk of losing the wisdom and experience of long-term advocates as time passes.

Operational policy for the ASC

- meets once a month either on a regular schedule or in the event an urgent matter arises which necessitates a prompt response.
- seeks to develop good relationships with State Government Ministers to achieve our goals. We will arrange regular meetings to maintain these relationships and in the event of an urgent matter we will seek separate specific meetings.
- aligns its work with any other representations by the UBC to State Government Ministers.
- The ASC ensures UBC amplifies the voices of other environment groups who share our objectives.

The ASC works in concert with the Communications Subcommittee to develop messaging, deliver campaign messaging and schedule publications and posts.

Communications subcommittee

Communications subcommittee met periodically during 2022 and is still a 'work in progress'. The subcommittee has shepherded the production of the 4 issues of the Urban Bush Telegraph. It has also developed a Strategic Communications Plan to guide future activities. The key publication types used by UBC are (i) Urban Bush Telegraph (quarterly); (ii) Subscriber blog (key issues, bi-monthly); (iii) Email newsletter to members and supporters (monthly); (iv) Facebook posts (weekly to daily) and (v) Instagram posts (as needed).

Submissions subcommittee

Submissions/consultations are a key avenue for UBC to influence proposed developments as well as government policies/plans that will impact on bushland/wetlands.

The UBC Committee has been very conscious of the concentration of expertise in a few long serving committee members, so we agreed to establish a more formal Submissions group. The WA Environmental Protection Act & Submissions Writing workshop (20/11/2022) coordinated by Exec Officer Vicki Caulfield included inviting members and others to join the new subcommittee. By the end of 2022, in addition to Marg Owen, Mary Gray and Colma Keating we had seven expressing an interest – some very tentative &/or with limited time availability.

Member Engagement

Urban Bush Telegraph

4 editions of the Urban Bush Telegraph were printed during 2022. Thank you to all contributors. Special thanks to our editor, Renata Zelinova and to committee members Sue Conlan and Marg Owen who worked so hard to obtain articles for each edition. You can find the current and past issues on our [website here](#).

General Meetings and Speakers during 2022

During the year we approved the membership of 8 new groups to UBC and updated the Rules (or constitution) at our General Meetings. We also continued our program of engaging and topical talks largely around the theme of volunteering. Our 2022 special guests were:

- 4 May – In the company of cockies - Merryn Pryor Birdlife WA.
- 29 June – Linking spaces to save species – Dr Jane Chambers from Naturelink.
- 4 October – Why would younger people join your group – led by Colma Keating with speakers engaged in conservation volunteering with younger people from Trillion Trees (Julian Beasley); Millennium Kids (Cathy Levett); Intrepid Landcare (Cassie Howell); and Perth NRM (Dan Freisen).
- 29 November – Building community capacity to care for urban bushland – a progress report by Johanna Riddell

Thank you to all who attended.

Walks delivered

UBC continued its programs of walks in 2022:

- 3 April – See what we saved at Point Peron – with James Mumme and Friends of Point Peron.
- 15 May – Walk the Roe 8/ Roe 9 corridor – with Cockburn Community Wildlife Corridor, Sally Marsh and Diana Corbyn.

- 11 September – Walk Woodvale Waters, Beenyup Channel with the Friends of Woodvale Waters, Beenyup Channel (new members of UBC)

Online platforms (Facebook, emails)

Lynn MacLaren took over the admin for the Facebook page from July 2022 to assess the optimal operations and future needs with the goal of finding a volunteer to take over and enhance UBC's presence online.

Christine Richardson continued to use Mailchimp as the vehicle for email newsletters and blogs, with greater attention on reducing email traffic to a monthly communication.

Acknowledging contributions to UBC operations

Life Memberships

At the 2022AGM, UBC awarded Honorary Life Membership to Beth Schultz AO and Mary Gray (OAM).

Beth Schultz AO

It is with great pleasure that we declared Dr Beth Schultz AO as the Inaugural Honorary Life Member of the Urban Bushland Council WA Inc. Beth has been at the forefront of community volunteer action in Western Australia for over 47 years. Beth's involvement in the environment movement came through defence of WA's Karri forests against wood chipping. Whilst the term 'Beth Schultz' is synonymous with 'south-west forests' – running parallel, has been her active involvement in, and support of urban bushland protection and its far, far better management. She has also supported many local bushland and wetland groups (even when their patch is nowhere near where she lives) through personal membership and participation at their AGMs and other events, providing much needed support and respected guidance.

Mary Gray OAM

Mary Gray was also declared an Honorary Life Member of UBC. Mary has been active with the UBC even before UBC was born! She was at that pivotal meeting called by Rachel Siewert and Conservation Council in November 1992, where people from 40 urban bushcare groups came together concerned about destruction of our urban bushland. Four months later, 85 individuals met in Kings Park to formally launch the Urban Bushland Council. She has been elected president or vice president for 23 years. Staggeringly, she has been on the Committee for all but 1 of our 29 years!

Committee Thank You

A very special thank you to our dedicated and energetic UBC Committee members Marg Owen, Colma Keating, Chris Allbeury (see below), Sue Conlan, Mary Gray, Heidi Hardisty (see below) and Lynn MacLaren (see below). We've had robust discussions, but all the while centred around a passion for the protection of urban bushland and wetlands.

Retiring committee

The following members of the Committee have indicated that they will not renominate for 2023 and they are singled out for special mention in this report. We thank them for their input to UBC and recognise that their skills, experience, and passion will be sorely missed. We anticipate that they will each continue in a volunteer role with UBC, and we thank them for their ongoing commitment to conservation and UBC.

Chris Allbeury OAM, Treasurer since 2007

Chris has been the Treasurer for the Urban Bushland Council since 2007 – a massive contribution to our organisation. At all times she has operated with great diligence and with an eye to ensuring that UBC operates to the highest standards of governance and financial accountability. Nothing ever escapes her gaze. As well as being our Treasurer, she has been our Membership Officer and one of our website admin. An enormous volunteer load for which we are truly grateful.

Heidi Hardisty, Committee since 2021

Heidi is a passionate campaigner who has brought new energy to the UBC Committee and new perspectives on advocacy. She has been a strong proponent for the need for succession planning on the UBC Committee and has challenged how and why we do things. She is well known for her leadership at Friends of Lake Claremont and is proud to have handed on the Chair role to Nick Cook and to have seen her Friends group flourish with reduced input from her.

Lynn MacLaren, Committee since 2021

Lynn is another passionate campaigner, and she has brought political insight, clarity on governance matters and great facilitation skills to the UBC Committee. She was convenor of the UBC Advocacy Subcommittee in 2022 and Convenor of the Communications Subcommittee. Lynn has taken on Facebook admin for UBC and our Facebook presence is greatly improved through her work. Lynn has moved to Albany.

UBT editor

Thank you also to UBT Editor Renata Zelinova and the many people who helped with articles for the Urban Bush Telegraph. We are deeply indebted to you for the thoughtful articles and then the excellent piecing them together into our key publication.

Renata has indicated that she will be stepping down from the role of Editor after 20 years in the role. This is an extraordinary contribution, and we are very grateful for that constancy and certainty.

Other volunteers and supporters

There are many others who assist and whose contributions help make UBC strong. And a special thank you to Robyn Colledge who has assisted with all our events as well as supported the Treasurer and Vice Chair. Thank you everyone.

Special Acknowledgements

Our conservation work is not finished, we have many great people contributing to the cause and it is great when our champions are recognised nationally.

Mary Gray OAM

Mary Gray was awarded a Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) in the Queen's Birthday 2022 Honours for her contribution to the Urban Bushland Council (UBC), the Wildflower Society and to conservation and the environment over many decades.

She has been tenacious in her advocacy for the protection of our bushlands and wetlands, and for species relying on those habitats. A major focus of Mary's has been to have Bush Forever, a world class plan for a Comprehensive, Adequate and Representative reserve system fully implemented and adequately funded.

Submissions, Appeals & Community Consultations Lodged 2022

LODGED	FOCUS	AGENCY
Jan 07	Proposed listing of 'Fire regimes that cause biodiversity decline as a Key Threatening Process (KTP) under the <i>EPBC Act</i> .	Fed DAWE
Jan 27	Draft Bold Park Management Plan 2022-2027	BGPA
Feb 07	Proposed Pt. Walter Mountain Bike Facility by City of Melville	City of Melville
Feb 12	To set level of assessment as PER for TUTUNUP Mineral Sands Project	WA EPA
Feb 25	Local Government Reform	DLGS&C
Feb 28	Draft Gngalara Groundwater Allocation Plan	DAWE
Mar	Harvey Kemerton Industrial Area - referral for PER	WA EPA
Mar	Two Rocks beach access track through BF 325	City of Wanneroo
Mar	Requesting a PER Tonkin Highway Grade Separated Interchanges Kelvin Road	WA EPA
Apr 5	PER – Doyles Limestone Quarry – Yalgorup National Park	WA EPA
Apr 22	Development Assessment Panel (DAs) Reform	WA DPLH

LODGED	FOCUS	AGENCY
Apr 29	MRS amendment Public Purposes – Special Uses reservation to Urban zone (Vlamingh Parklands, Cable Station)	WAPC
May 10	Smith’s Beach requesting PER level of assessment.	EPA
Jun 17	Appeal CPS 9339-1 Bishop Rd, Serpentine and Karnup Rd, Mundijong	Appeals Convenor
Jun 22	Swan Canning Locality Policies	DBCA / SRT
Jun 22	CPS 8500/3 Proposal for clearing- Shire of Waroona – Application to amend - increase the area to be cleared to 15.83 ha.	DMIRS
Jun 24	Appeal CPS 9749/1 Application for a purpose permit (S 51E of the EP Act). Clearing 7 ha for Mineral Exploration by Bulletin Resources Limited. Ravensthorpe Lithium Project.	DMIRS
Jul 05	Kwinana Freeway Principal Shared Path (PSP) Canning – Mount Henry Bridge 5% Urban and Landscape Design (ULD)	Main Roads
Jul 08	WA environmental offsets metric	DWER
Jul 17	PER Lots 2 and 10 Rowley Road, Mandogalup	EPA
Aug 28	South 32 Worsley Mine Expansion – Revised Proposal (Assessment £ 2216)	EPA
Sep 22	draft WA Greenhouse Gas Guidelines	EPA
Sep	MRS Amendment, PROPOSAL 16 Perth Airport: To remove portions of Lot 100 Airport Drive, Lot 1 Reid Road, Lot 2 Tarlton Crescent and Lots 2, 548 & 10488 Horrie Miller Drive from Bush Forever Site No. 386	
Sep 26	PER Kemerton Industrial Area	Development WA / EPA
Oct 14	Advice about CPS 9578/1 beach access road from Two Rocks to the beach through BF 397.	
Oct 18	Proposed clearing of trees that are a roost site for Carnaby’s Cockatoos on Beale Park Spearwood for soccer fields, clubrooms, playground.	
Nov 13	Tonkin Highway Grade Separated Interchanges (Hale and Welshpool Roads)	EPA
Nov 13	Limestone Quarry Lot 4 Binningup Rd, Binningup (Shire of Harvey)	EPA
Dec 04	Perth Surf Park (Jandakot) – call for PER	EPA
Dec 09	draft Sandalwood Biodiversity Management Plan	DBCA
Dec 14	CPS 9182-1 Albany - construction of trail links	DWER
Dec 17	Change of land use, purpose and condition of land within the Gnangara, Pinjar and Yanchep pine plantations (Gnangara-Moore River State Forest, State Forest 65)	EPA
Dec 18	Draft Forest Management Plan 2024-2033.	DBCA
Dec 19	Bidamina Project - Image Resources NL proposes to develop a mineral sands extraction project south of Orange Springs Road, Cowalla (Shire of Gingin).	EPA
May 01	Forest Management Plan 2024-2033 – Pre-Draft Survey	DBCA

LODGED	FOCUS	AGENCY
Jul 04	Swanbourne Station Precinct Master Plan is being prepared following a Market-Led Proposal (MLP20002) to develop land in the Public Transport Authority rail corridor west of Swanbourne Station.	DPLH
July	MRS Amendment: Jandakot Road, Treeby rezone to urban. BF 390	WAPC
Nov 7	Draft Structure Plan Guidelines	DPLH
Nov 22	Request for PER level of assessment for Kemerton Strategic Industrial Area (KSIA) at Mandurah Rd East Rockingham - proposal by Development WA	WA EPA
Dec 13	Kids Free Play Zone/Dirt bike track proposed for Empire Park, City Beach	

Other Site Issues and Campaigns 2022

SITE OR ISSUE	SUBMISSION/ ACTION TAKEN	OUTCOME
Underwood Avenue Bushland	Continued advocacy from FUAB including petition.	FUAB now have access to community weeding
Lake Richmond thrombolites	Wrote to Minister and the Premier about purchase of adjacent blocks of land	“although the site is zoned for urban development, the environmental values of this site will need to be carefully considered”
Vlamingh Park Campaign	Campaign progressed by Friends of Mosman Park Bushland	
Mount Lawley Golf Course and tree removal	Received advice from Friends of Inglewood Triangle about their collaboration with MLGC conservation volunteers	
Gnangara Groundwater Allocation Plan		Released in June 2022
Native Vegetation Policy		Released 26 May 2022
Bunbury Outer Ring Road (BORR)	Campaign to change route	Minister approved existing plans
Urban Forest Strategies	Developing a coalition group for tree canopy of Perth	WALGA Conference Individual LGA Actions

Christine Richardson, 7 March 2023