



## CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT TO ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2024 FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1 JANUARY TO 31 DECEMBER 2023

### Introduction

UBC is the Peak Body for bushland conservation groups: We are a community association of 90 member groups 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.

2023 was a busy year. We celebrated 30 years of advocacy; we finalised our State NRM grant and presented our volunteer guide to our members; we ran information sessions for environmental assessment processes; workshops for members; made a record number of submissions into environmental processes and finished the year mobilising against threats to the independence of the EPA and loss of appeal rights for citizens.

As we enter 2024 and recognising that both Federal and WA Governments go to the polls in 2025, it is clear we need to raise our voices louder and further to protect our precious biodiversity. We need to mobilise our local communities and let our elected officials know how important our biodiversity and ecosystem services it provides is, and how at risk it is from the actions of this government.

### 2023 Highlights

#### Celebrating 30 Years of UBC

We returned once again to the beautiful Bush Forever setting at the Herdsman Lake Discovery Centre where 80 people gathered at sunset on 21 May 2023 to celebrate 30 years of UBC advocacy. Iva Hayward Jackson gave an informative acknowledgement of country, followed by speeches from the Minister for the Environment, Reece Whitby, and the facilitator of the 'City Bush Guides', Lesley Shaw. We used the occasion as an opportunity to recognise and thank:

- All who have served on the 31 committees of the UBC.
- the leaders of the bushcare groups and the complexity of the roles they undertake.
- All the bushcare group volunteers who do many hours of on ground work, as well as those who just as importantly advocate for local bushland to be understood, protected, well managed for conservation and linked to nearby patches.

Read more in the [Winter 2023](#) edition of the Urban Bush Telegraph.

#### Workshop – Guide to Bushcare Volunteering for Friends Groups

UBC presented its toolkit of resources to members on 15 June. This is the key output of UBC's year-long project –Building Community Capacity to Care for Urban Bushland- funded by the WA Government's State NRM Program. It is useful for novice right through to experienced bushcare groups.

This guide is available from our [home page](#) or through [this link](#).

#### Workshop – Community Building for Friends Groups

Building on lessons in UBC's 2023 Volunteer Recruitment Guide, Friends from almost 30 different UBC member groups gathered for a skills workshop on Sunday 26 November to learn more about the subtle art of 'Community Building for Friends Groups'. Thanks to our sponsors The Wettenhall Environment Trust and to Peter Kenyon (OAM) of the Bank of Ideas for making this informative day possible.

You can find out more about this in the [Summer 24 edition](#) of the Urban Bush Telegraph.

## Key Submissions & Campaigns

During 2023 the UBC Submissions Working Group ably led by Colma Keating made 44 submissions. Many of these involved working with other environmental organisations, some were associated with information sharing workshops and a few transitioned to campaigning aimed at mobilising the community. Read more on our "[Your Voice Needed Now](#)" page. Picking out just a few....

*Greater Brixton Street Wetlands:* This is one of the most important wetlands on the Swan Coastal Plain and the conservation community are very concerned about the negative and far reaching impacts of the proposed expansion of the Maddington Kenwick Strategic Employment Area. UBC hosted an information session on 24 July and followed up with a guide to encourage submissions. Submissions are under review.

*Forest Management Plan 2024 – 2033 (FMP):* Note that this is the first FMP post the decision to halt old growth logging. Throughout 2023 UBC joined with many other environmental groups and made submissions and appeals to strengthen the FMP through raising concern about proposals for ecological thinning and prescribed burning. It gained Ministerial Approval 30 November.

*Roe 8/9 Corridor:* UBC joined others and called on the WA government to adopt a visionary approach to the Cockburn Green Corridor that will conserve and protect all existing native vegetation along the corridor, including the areas currently reserved for intersections and restore ecosystems along the corridor to create viable ecological connectivity. The Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage (DPLH) indicate that responses have informed the preparation of a proposed amendment to the MRS to remove the road reservation. [More here](#).

*Lot 123 Mortimer Road, Casuarina (Lot 123):* This is 45 hectares (ha) in size and is proposed to be subdivided into two lots; one conservation lot of 7.9 hectares (ha) and a balance lot for residential development. Lot 123 contains excellent quality Banksia woodland vegetation, threatened fauna habitat, and a conservation category wetland. UBC strongly recommended that all of Lot 123 be acquired by the State Government, then transferred to the Crown and added to the conservation estate as an 'A' class reserve for the purpose of conservation of nature. Public submissions closed 4 December and are still under review.

*Perth Surf Park, Jandakot.* UBC campaigned with The Beeliar Group for a halt to the planned destruction of a site that includes banksia woodlands, Carnaby's Black Cockatoo foraging habitat and a Conservation Category Wetland to build the Perth Surf Park. We engaged fully in the consultation processes including through to lodging appeals. Concurrently UBC has mounted a public awareness campaign led by Heidi Hardisty through the Action Network platform to bring issues to the attention of local State politicians. Appeal still under review.

*Protect WA Nature – Save the EPA:* We went into the Christmas break with great concerns about the Cook Government's commitment to the environment given their release of the recommendations of the Vogel - McFerran 'Independent Review of WA Environmental Approvals Processes and Procedures'. This review included no public or community consultation and some of its recommendations have worrying consequences for the independence of the EPA and its capacity to protect our biodiversity. As we enter 2024 it is clear we need to raise our voices louder and further to protect our precious biodiversity. We need to mobilise our local communities and let our elected officials know how important our biodiversity is and how at risk it is from the actions of this government. To this end the Conservation Council of WA is leading an across NGO campaign. This will be a key UBC campaign in 2024. [Keep up to date here](#).

We rely on your local knowledge to help make it as simple as possible for all our members and friends to make submissions.

## Memberships

At 31 December 2023, *UBC Membership* was 90 Member Groups and 108 supporters. Thank you to everyone who supports UBC, your presence makes our organisation stronger.

UBC welcomed applications from 5 new *member groups* during 2022:

1. Save Beeliar Wetlands Inc.
2. Friends of The Vines Bushlands

The following applications were received in late 2023 and, as required by UBC's Rules, their membership will be voted on at the 2024 AGM.

3. Western Australian Tree Canopy Advocates Inc
4. Karak Cooby Bushcarers (Friends of Malvolio Bushland)
5. Friends of Galup / Lake Monger

*Honorary Life Memberships* awarded at the 2023 AGM to Christine Allbeury, OAM and Kim Sarti, OAM

## Grants

In 2023, UBC held 8 grants including acting as sponsor on 4 grants for unincorporated Member Groups, with grant income of \$44,418. 5 grants were finalised during the year.

We completed our State NRM funded project "*Building community capacity to care for urban bushland*" with the production of a written report plus volunteer recruitment guide, all launched at previously mentioned workshop.

New grants received included from Murdoch University via Lotterywest for the Keep Carnaby's Flying project, the Wettenhall Environment Trust to fund workshops for members and from Volunteering WA to fund UBC's 30<sup>th</sup> celebration.

## Committee operations

We continued with our 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 welcomed new members to our subcommittees during the year. They are an excellent way to learn and contribute. The following **subcommittees** operated during 2023 (i) Submissions, (ii) Advocacy; (iii) Communications and (iv) Events & Member Engagement. Thank you to all involved.

We were not able to fill the position of **Treasurer** during the year. The 2023 Audit has made explicit comment about the importance of filling the Treasurer position in 2024.

However, we were able to maintain good **financial management** during the year with our contract bookkeeper and because our former treasurer Chris Allbeury continued to monitor our finances and ensure invoices were paid on time and key governance issues were not forgotten.

We applied for **Deductible Gift Reciprocity** in early 2023 and this was granted in late 2023. All future donations to UBC are therefore tax deductible.

**Cyber security** – in late 2023 we agreed to implement changes to our online membership module so that we hold only the information required for a Member Register (Name, email, phone). This means we will no longer hold addresses. In all systems we use, we are implementing two factor authentication.

UBC was supported throughout the year with the continuation of the appointment of Vicki Caulfield as a part-time, short term **Executive Officer**. This support has made us realise just how valuable a paid role is for the organisation.

## Our People

Christine Allbeury OAM: Chris was awarded a Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) in the 2023 Australia Day Honours list for her contribution to conservation and the environment over many years. Chris was UBC Treasurer from 2007 to 2022 – a massive contribution to our organisation. At all times she operated with great diligence and with an eye to ensuring that UBC operated to the highest standards of governance and financial accountability. Nothing ever escaped her gaze. As well as being Treasurer, she was our Membership Officer and website admin. An enormous volunteer load for which we are truly grateful.

## Bush Forever Update

**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. This included a briefing on Bush Forever sites in July by DPLH and a meeting with the new Director General of DBCA in October.

## Other conservation issues

### Campaigning for the protection of black cockatoos

- ‘*Keep Carnaby’s Flying - Ngoolarks Forever*’ project. UBC is a partner organisation in this project being led by Murdoch University (MU). The first year of the project has been highly successful. Read more further down.
- *Save the Black Cockatoos*: This campaign has involved a number of organisations including UBC and continued throughout 2023 with volunteer support only. The [third-party referral](#) made by Dr Hugh Finn to protect the remaining pines in the Gngangara Pine Plantation from removal led to a notice to terminate assessment in December because the proponents advised they would not proceed with the proposal being assessed by the EPA.
- Other local campaigns included [Save Erindale Road Bushland](#) and [Move the Surf Park](#).

### Feral Cats

UBC was involved in advocacy around (domestic) cat containment and feral cats during 2023. We reported on the Feral Cat Symposium in the Urban Bush Telegraph ([Autumn 2023](#)). We then met with the staff for the Minister for Local Government in October to advocate for changes to the Cat Act to enable cat containment. See our summary in the [Summer 2024](#) edition of the Urban Bush Telegraph.

### Fire

The Fire and Air Symposium was held in May 2023 and followed on from the highly successful Fire & Biodiversity Forum in June 2021. There are several articles in the Urban Bush Telegraph including a summary of new research that explains why prescribed burn fires become so fire prone. See the [Autumn edition](#) of the Urban Bush Telegraph for the link to the article. You can a summary of the Fire & Air Forum in the [Winter 2023](#) edition and find links to the presentations in the [Spring 2023](#) edition. .

### Collaboration with other conservation NGOs

Throughout 2023 UBC engaged with many of the other conservation NGOs to share ideas and draft submissions. We engaged strongly with CCWA, WSWA and others over a range of issues and are a member of the Working Party developing and delivering the campaign to [Protect WA Nature – Save the EPA](#).

## Meetings with Ministers and Senior Government officers

### Minister for Environment

A meeting was held with Minister Whitby on 22 February with a focus primarily on the acquisition and management of Bush Forever sites. Minister Whitby also attended and spoke at UBC’s 30<sup>th</sup> celebration in May at the Herdsman Lake Discovery Centre. Many of our member Bushcare groups involve their local and Federal MP’s in their bushcare activities and are acknowledged by their MP’s for their community advocacy and volunteering.

### Other meetings

UBC met with staff for the **Minister for Local Government** on 16 October with regards to amendments to the Cat Act. UBC met with Stuart Smith, **Director General, DBCA** to discuss the transfer of Bush Forever sites to DBCA management.

## Grants and Projects

### State NRM grant

In 2023 we concluded our State NRM funded project “Building community capacity to care for urban bushland” and Project Officer Johanna Riddell 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.

A toolkit of resources was compiled that is useful for novice right through to experienced bushcare groups. This Volunteer Recruitment and Retention Guide was launched at a workshop on 15 June. You can find all the details on the [UBC website](#). Heidi Hardisty, Christine Richardson, Mary Gray and Colma Keating provided valuable input to the project. Thank you.

### Volunteering WA grant

With 4 Member Groups, UBC successfully applied for \$4,000 to celebrate 30 years of UBC and our collective achievements and ongoing relevance as a Voice for the Bush. This was a highlight of our 2023 activities. UBC especially thanks grant partners Friends of Underwood Avenue Bushland, Friends of Jirdarup Bushland, Friends of Mosman Park Bushland and Friends of Hepburn and Pinnaroo Bushland.

### Wettenhall Environment Trust

UBC was awarded \$10,500 to deliver 2 training workshops for Friends groups that will help them recruit and retain volunteers, building their capacity to improve conservation outcomes and growing connection and community. The first workshop on Community Building with Peter Kenyon was held in November. The second one is scheduled for May 2024.

### 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 sponsored the following projects for unincorporated member groups in 2023:

- Friends of Inglewood Triangle – State NRM: Consolidating an ecological linkage in inner city Inglewood’ - \$10,650 (finalised in 2023)
- Friends of Inglewood Triangle- Australian Government - Stronger Communities R8 – Installation of seating, (ending in 2024)
- Friends of Coolbinia Bushland – Australian Government - Stronger Communities R7: ‘Upgrade pathways, fence installation’. \$10,500 (finalised in 2023)
- Friends of Coolbinia Bushland – Volunteering WA grant to celebrate volunteers. \$525.

### Keep Carnaby’s Flying - Ngoolarks Forever

UBC is a partner organisation in this project being led by Murdoch University (MU). We received funding from the project to support our engagement in the project. We thank Heidi Hardisty for being our project representative and Vicki Caulfield for her support of our communication efforts for the project.

The first year has been highly successful. MU has been working with four local government associations, (City of Cockburn, City of Wanneroo, Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale and City of Melville), environmental NGOs and Aboriginal organisations to engage the community and implement various projects that address threats to the birds and provide food sources and water. Each LGA have implemented their own plantings of cockatoo foraging trees and shrubs, including banksias, jarrahs, marris and macadamia. Most trees survived the dry November. LGAs are taking on the cost of watering over the summer. Read more in the [Summer 24](#) edition of the Urban Bush Telegraph.

## Strategic and Operational matters

### Strategic and Operational Plan

Succession planning and governance continued to be a focus for 2023, with considerable effort put into implementing **Working Groups** including extending their membership beyond the UBC committee. Thank you to all who joined us in those working groups during 2023.

With regards **Succession**, we remain committed to 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. As people leave the committee, we encourage them to keep up roles with a working group or other volunteer support. Never lost!

We have continued our targeted conservation efforts whilst supporting committee, working groups and members as well as we can.

### Application for DGR status (following on from work in 2022)

The UBC Rules update of 2022 were approved by Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety (DEMIRS) and in early 2023 an application for Deductible Gift Reciprocity was lodged with the Register of Environmental Organisations (REO). In late December 2023 UBC was advised that it had been granted DGR status and was now formally 'in transition' to being managed via the ATO rather than the REO. Various implementation steps are in progress in early 2024.

### Subcommittees

During 2023 the UBC Committee continued to do more of its operational work via working groups.

#### Submissions Working Group (SWG)

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

Under the exceptional leadership of Colma Keating, the SWG had a strong and productive year. They had the benefit of the expertise of Marg Owen and Mary Gray and by year end UBC has submitted into 44 separate consultation processes. The group rely on you to raise the alarm and brief them on the issues. Thank you to all members of the SWG.

#### Communications Working Group (Comms)

The Communications Working Group met periodically during 2023 and delivered more comms and engagement than in 2022. Comms successfully led the production of 4 editions of Urban Bush Telegraph under the guidance of new editor Danielle Brady. We thank Alison Abel for becoming our new Facebook Admin - leading to a much greater UBC presence. Newsletters to Members & Supporters and to the longer 'general' list were circulated approximately monthly by Christine Richardson.

#### Advocacy Working Group (AWG)

The Advocacy Working Group continued in 2023 with Christine Richardson as convenor and with Mary Gray and Elizabeth Eaton as members. Its aim is 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. The AWG is still 'a work in progress'.

#### Events & Member Engagement (Events WG)

Events & Member Engagement met periodically during 2023 under the leadership of Sue Conlan and Mitch Plain. They developed the schedule of talks and walks; formalised plans for events management and developed a plan for member engagement. Events WG is still 'work in progress'.

## Member Engagement

### Urban Bush Telegraph

4 editions of the Urban Bush Telegraph were printed during 2023. Thank you to all contributors. Special thanks to our new editor, Danielle Brady who brought a new style and colour palette to our newsletter. Thank you also to Sue Conlan, Marg Owen and others who worked hard to obtain articles for each edition. You can find the current and past issues on our [website here](#).

### General Meetings and Guest Speakers during 2023

During the year we approved the membership of 2 new groups to UBC and continued our program of engaging and topical talks largely around the theme of biodiversity. Our 2023 special guests were:

- 25 May: Soil Microbe Biodiversity - E/Prof Giles Hardy
- 26 July: What are Polyphagous Shot Hole Borers? – Dominic Casteldine (DPIRD) and Kylie Ireland (DBCA)

- 5 September: Urban Forest Strategy 4 October – with a panel of speakers (John Murray, City of South Perth; E/Prof Hans Lambers, UWA; Dr Jane Chambers, Murdoch University and Naturelink).
- 28 September – Two Way Science in your Bushland – Dr Elaine Lewis, Coolbinia Primary School

Thank you to all who attended.

### [Walks delivered](#)

UBC visited The Spectacles on 17 September and met with the Friends of The Spectacles for a tour of their patch – including through the large stand of paperbark woodland as well as their revegetation sites.

### [Workshops Delivered](#)

During the year UBC ran several workshops aimed at supporting member groups or briefing them about particular consultation processes important to conservation:

- 15 June: Launch of Bushcare volunteering guide and a wrap up of State NRM project
- 24 July: Greater Brixton Street Wetlands needs you – information session
- 26 November: Community Building for Friends Groups

### [Online platforms \(Facebook, emails\)](#)

Alison Abel took over the admin for the Facebook page and we have been very grateful for her delivery of UBC's online presence. Christine Richardson continued to use Mailchimp as the vehicle for email newsletters, with greater attention on reducing email traffic to a monthly communication.

## [Acknowledging contributions to UBC operations](#)

### [Life Memberships](#)

At the 2023 AGM, UBC awarded Honorary Life Membership to Christine Allbeury OAM and Kim Sarti OAM.

#### [Christine Allbeury OAM](#)

It is with great pleasure that we declared Christine Allbeury OAM as an Honorary Life Member of the Urban Bushland Council WA Inc. Chris has a rich history of volunteering, including the last 16 years as the Treasurer of the Urban Bushland Council. She joined the Committee as treasurer back in 2007 and stood down at the 2022 AGM. 16 years as Treasurer for the Urban Bushland Council is a massive contribution to our organisation. And we all know that the role of Treasurer involves a lot of detail and extraordinary level of probity including making sure everyone does the right thing! She cheerfully took on an enormous volunteer load for which we are truly grateful.

#### [Kim Sarti OAM](#)

Kim Sarti was also declared an Honorary Life Member of UBC. Kim has had a lifetime of service to the environment including 8 years on the Committee of the Urban Bushland Council (2004 – 2011) and many years after that helping with various projects and events. When on the UBC Committee he was the 'go to' person for all things about communications and the internet. In 2007 our Internet Technology was very basic (dialup modem), and the UBC website was badly in need of a major update. Kim has been integral to the development of the UBC website, our Conference publications, and our membership files. Much of this has been after he stepped away from committee membership.

### [Committee Thank You](#)

A very special thank you to our dedicated and energetic UBC Committee members Marg Owen, Sue Conlan, Colma Keating, Mary Gray, Elizabeth Eaton, Mitch Polain and Treena Burgess. 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.

Mary Gray OAM,

UBC thanks Mary Gray, long standing Chairperson and committee member for 29 of UBC's 30 years, for her service to the organisation all that time. Mary has indicated she will continue to be involved with the Submissions Working Group and is at all times very happy to share her knowledge. Just ring!

Colma Keating, Committee since 2021

We also thank Colma Keating for her committee membership since 2021 and are delighted that she will continue volunteer roles with UBC as Membership Officer and on the Submissions Working Group.

UBT editor

Thank you also to UBT Editor Danielle Brady and the many people who helped with articles for the Urban Bush Telegraph. We are deeply indebted to her for her guidance and then the excellent piecing them together into our key publication. Danielle has indicated that her time in the role is temporary, and we are seeking another person to take over as volunteer newsletter editor. Is that you?

Staff

Staff is a novel experience for UBC. We were delighted to be joined in 2023 by Johanna Riddell Project Officer and Vicki Caulfield Executive Officer who added significantly to our capacity to deliver projects.

Other volunteers and supporters

There are many others who assist and whose contributions help make UBC strong. Thank you everyone.

Special mention is given to Chris Allbeury who still kept an eagle eye on our finances in a year when we were unable to secure a treasurer. We also thank Robyn Colledge who assisted with all our events as well as supported the Membership Officer.

## 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.

Colma Keating, WA Landcare Hall of Fame

On 8 December 2023, UBC's Colma Keating was one of 12 inaugural inductees into the WA Landcare's Hall of Fame. This was an opportunity to acknowledge the pioneering work over many decades. Colma was presented with her certificate by the Chair of the National Landcare Network board, Dr Louise Duxbury. Her citation ends: *The tag 'a walking, talking, sharing mind-map' still captures Colma's driving passion and contribution to supporting and connecting people and knowledge – in community led conservation and rehabilitation.* And quoting Colma – Thank you for all you do.

## Submissions, Appeals & Community Consultations Lodged 2023

44 separate items of formal consultation undertaken by UBC in 2023.

LODGED	FOCUS	AGENCY
Dec 14	Yakamia (Albany) – EPBC Number 2023'09530 MNES Clearing of Lot 420 Sydney Street for subdivision.	DCCEEW
Dec 11	Draft updated threat abatement plan for predation by feral cats	DCCEEW
Dec 11	Perth Surf Park – Appeal against Clearing Permit CPS 10068	Appeals Convenor
Dec 01	Lot 123 Mortimer Road, Casuarina	
Nov 28	Metropolitan Region Scheme Amendment 1344/57 Maida Vale Urban Precinct. The amendment proposes to rezone approximately 177.53 ha of land in Maida Vale (City of Kalamunda) from the 'Rural' zone to the 'Urban Deferred' zone in the MRS.	EPA via DPLH (City of Kalamunda)



LODGED	FOCUS	AGENCY
Nov 21	Proposed \$859 to lodge any objection to exploration and mining activity The WA Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety (DMIRS) is proposing to introduce a \$859 fee to lodge an objection to any applications for exploration and mining prospecting, exploration, lease in WA.	DMIRS
Nov 07	PERTH SURF PARK ON-SITE Meeting with Appeals Convenor Emma Gaunt + Emma Bramwell	Appeals C'tee
Nov 01	PERTH SURF PARK Meeting with Appeals Convenor	Appeals C'tee
Oct 30	APPEAL 'CLARITY' – Draft Forest Management Plan 2024-2033 Homework from meeting [12/10] on our 5 Points of Appeal:	Appeals C'tee
Oct 17	WA Climate Change Bill	DWER
Oct 18	Rockingham Industrial Zone open for 7-day public comment on level of environmental assessment	
Oct 12	APPEAL COMMITTEE MEETING Draft Forest Management Plan 2024-2033	
Oct 06	Metropolitan Region Scheme (MRS) Major Amendment 1404/41 Roe 8 Remainder and Roe 9	DPLH
Sep 25	APPEAL PERIOD - Draft Forest Management Plan 2024-2033	Appeals Convenor
Sep 22	Draft New Development Control Policy 2.3 – Public Open Space in Residential Areas (intended to replace <i>old</i> 2.3)	WAPC / DPLH
Aug 28	City of Gosnells (CoG) Town Panning Scheme Amendment (Impact on Brixton Street wetlands)	City of Gosnells + DPLH
Sep 12	APPEAL CONVENOR MEETING – CPS 9918/1 (ref Bush Forever Site 322) Appeal against the granting of a clearing permit. Battering to facilitate road construction Burns Beach Estate	Appeals Convenor
Aug 15	Alcoa's Bauxite mining on the Darling Range in the southwest of WA for the years 2022 to 2026 & 2023 to 2027 open for 7-day public comment on level of environmental assessment	EPA
Aug 11	TEC Honeymyrtle shrubland on limestone ridges of the Swan Coastal Plain Bioregion' - Proposed as a Threatened Ecological (TEC)	DCCEEW
Jul 17	Draft State Planning Policy 3.7: Bushfire (SPP 3.7) and Planning for Bushfire Guidelines (Guidelines).	WAPC
Jul 18	Dept Primary Industries & Regional Development (DPIRD) Construction and operation of a Managed Aquifer Recharge (MAR) pilot Lot 6307 on Deposited Plan 39948, Myalup	DWER
Jul 11	Clearing permit application CPS 10205/1 – Lot 6307 on Deposited Plan 39948, Myalup (Shire of Harvey)	DWER
July 10	Appeals Against Grant of Clearing Permit CPS 9918/1 – Lot 3000 On Deposited Plan 44066, Burns Beach, City of Joondalup	Appeals office

LODGED	FOCUS	AGENCY
Jun 30	MRS Major Amendment 1400/41 – North Fremantle Urban Precinct WAPC is seeking public comment on a proposal to amend the Metropolitan Region Scheme (MRS) for land in the City of Fremantle.	WAPC
Jun 28	Draft Forest Management Plan – EPA Stakeholder Consultation	EPA
Jun 07	H2Perth	EPA
Jun 05	City of Kalamunda's Draft Urban Forest Strategy 2023- 2024	City of Kalamunda
May 19	Abercrombie Road (Postans) WA Limestone WA Limestone have referred Limestone Quarry expansion under the <i>EPBC Act</i> . with clearing 14.68ha of native vegetation	DCCEEW
May 18	Forest Management Plan open for 7-day public	EPA
May 14	Expansion of Kwinana Refinery - Under <i>EPBC Act</i>	DCCEEW
May 09	Rottnest Island Management Plan (RIMP)	RIB (DBCA)
May 01	Ravensthorpe Lithium Project – Cocanarup Timber Reserve 7 day call for level of assessment.	EPA
May 01	Ravensthorpe Lithium Project – Cocanarup Timber Reserve – CLEARING APPLICATION	DWER
April 20	Environmental Protection Amendment Regulations 2022. Changes to the Environmental Protection Act 1986 (EP Act) being made by the Planning and Development Amendment Act 2020 (PD Amendment Act) will enable the making of regulations to streamline scheme assessments.	DWER
April 20	Consultation on draft principles to guide recognition of other effective area-based conservation measures in Australia	DEECCW
Apr 04	Ravensthorpe Lithium Project – Cocanarup Timber Reserve	DEECCW
Mar 27	2) Clearing Permit CPS 10068/1 Surf Park	DWER
Mar 21	1) Perth Surf Park APPEAL against EPA decision NOT to have PER	Appeals Convenor
Mar 17	Stirling Coastal Hazard Risk Mgt (CHRMAP)	City of Stirling
Mar 02	Perth Airport' Preliminary Draft Major Development Plan for the Airport North Precinct	Perth Airport
Feb 28	Ashfield Flats Master Plan	DBCA
Jan 31	Perth Airport – Preliminary Draft Major Development Plan for the Airport Central Precinct	Perth Airport
Jan 27	Federal 2023-24 Pre-Budget submissions 2023-24 Pre-Budget submissions   <a href="https://www.treasury.gov.au">Treasury.gov.au</a>	Aust Govt Treasury
Jan 20	Roe 8 (West) and Roe 9 Corridor Planning Study	DPLH

Christine Richardson 3 March 2024.