

To: Department of Water and Environment Regulation,
Locked Bag 33, Cloister Square, PERTH WA 6850

Public Submission against Application for Clearing Permit CPS 7781/1

Please Retain "Lemnos Street Bush" in its Entirety

I am totally opposed to any clearing of "Lemnos Street Bush" on the former Shenton Park Rehab Hospital site. DWER must reject LandCorp's application (CPS 7781/1) to clear 1.52 ha (or any) of this Banksia Woodland as it is a key link between two Bush Forever sites and forms part of a regionally significant ecological linkage between Bold Park and Kings Park. It is also a Threatened Ecological Community under the EPBC Act and critical foraging habitat for the endangered Carnaby's Cockatoos and Forest Red-tailed Black Cockatoos.

LandCorp's clearing proposal is at variance with 5 of the clearing principles that are designed to protect native vegetation.

The Minister for Planning's decision to condone the clearing was irresponsible. The Department of Planning did not properly consider the role of this bushland as a significant ecological corridor. Nor did they pay heed to the expert advice and the communities' wishes to save the bushland in its entirety.

LandCorp was determined to develop within the bushland from the onset, despite knowing it had significant value. There has been no satisfactory reason given as to why any of this bushland must be cleared, except to reduce fire risk, which can be mitigated otherwise.

DWER must take responsibility, where the Department of Planning has failed. Clearing of the bushland for buildings and fire hazard reduction should be denied. Instead, all of the remaining native vegetation along the western side of the former hospital site should be retained and enhanced, and the existing carpark and road within revegetated and restored.

"Lemnos Street Bush" need not be sacrificed.

Yours Sincerely,

Signature

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Address:

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Date: