



**PERTH  
SOUTH WEST**  
Metropolitan Alliance

# ANNUAL REPORT 2023/24



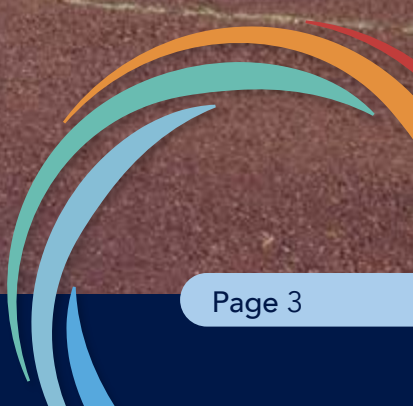
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Perth South West Metropolitan Alliance

*United for the benefit of the region*



# ROLE OF THE PERTH SOUTH WEST METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE

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The Perth South West Metropolitan Alliance is a longstanding grouping of six local governments in south-west metropolitan Perth. The purpose of the Alliance is to provide a forum and a structure for member councils to unite and collaborate for the benefit of the broader Region. By presenting a united, strategic and longterm regional perspective, we aim to deliver better funding, policy, sustainability and collaborative outcomes for the Region. The Alliance seeks to position local government as a leader and facilitator in the future development and decision-making processes that impact the Region, giving it a greater influence in determining positive outcomes for the Region and the community it serves.

## REGIONAL CONTEXT

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The Alliance undertakes an external advocacy role involving regional stakeholders such as state and federal government agencies and Members of Parliament (MPs), private sector organisations, business associations and industry groups.

Our member councils are:

- City of Cockburn
- Town of East Fremantle
- City of Fremantle
- City of Kwinana
- City of Melville
- City of Rockingham



# SOUTH WEST METROPOLITAN REGION



# BOARD AND COMMITTEE STRUCTURE



**Mayor Logan Howlett**  
City of Cockburn



**Mayor Jim O'Neill**  
Town of East Fremantle



**Mayor Hannah Fitzhardinge**  
City of Fremantle



**Mayor Peter Feasey**  
City of Kwinana



**Mayor Katy Mair**  
City of Melville



**Mayor Deb Hamblin**  
City of Rockingham



**Daniel Simms**  
CEO City of Cockburn



**Jonathan Throssell**  
CEO Town of East Fremantle



**Glen Dougall**  
CEO City of Fremantle



**Wayne Jack**  
CEO City of Kwinana



**Gail Bowman**  
CEO City of Melville



**Michael Parker**  
CEO City of Rockingham







## CHAIR'S MESSAGE

**It is my honour to present the 2024 Annual Report for the Perth South West Metropolitan Alliance (the "Alliance"). Building on over 40 years of collaboration among the region's local governments, the Alliance continues to demonstrate the value of working together to address social, economic, and environmental challenges.**

The role of Board Chair rotates annually among the member councils, with responsibilities including chairing the CEO Forums and Board meetings. In 2024, the City of Melville assumed the Chair position, succeeding the City of Kwinana. During 2023, the City of Kwinana was represented by Mayor Carol Adams OAM and, following local government elections, Mayor Peter Feasey, both of whom provided strong leadership to the Board.

I would like to take this opportunity to recognise Mayor Adams, who retired from the City of Kwinana in 2023. With a long association with the Alliance, serving on the Board since 2006 and chairing on numerous occasions, Mayor Adams brought invaluable knowledge of the region's economic opportunities and social challenges. Her contributions have been a tremendous asset to the Board and will be deeply missed.

I would also like to extend my appreciation to other outgoing Board members, including Mayor George Gear and City of Melville CEO Martin Tieleman. Both have contributed to the Alliance's success, with Mr Tieleman, in particular, serving as the host organisation CEO during his tenure and contributing significantly to supporting the Alliance's operations.

This year welcomed several new members to the Board, following recruitment across our member councils. We were pleased to welcome Dan Simms, Jonathan Throssell, and Gail Bowman, whose expertise and perspectives restore the Board to its full complement. Additionally, I want to acknowledge the contributions of Daniel Arndt and Andrew Malone, who supported the Alliance during their extended tenures as Acting CEOs of their respective organisations.

The past year has seen a continued focus on the implications of AUKUS. While the initiative promises significant job creation in the region, we remain concerned about the lack of cohesive planning and information on its broader community impacts. The Alliance has taken a proactive approach, advocating for a united response through our United Regional Vision document. This document provides a clear roadmap for delivering key projects while maintaining the region's liveability.

Progress has also been made on several transformational initiatives, including the Future of Fremantle, Westport, and other city-building projects within our region. These efforts underscore the critical role Perth South West plays in driving the state's economic future.

In closing, I would like to express my gratitude to the Alliance team for their dedication and hard work throughout the year. I also extend my thanks to the City of Kwinana team for their steadfast support in facilitating the Alliance's operations. Together, we have made significant strides towards ensuring a sustainable and prosperous future for our region.

**Mayor Katy Mair**

**2024 Chair, Perth South West Metropolitan Alliance**



## DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE



**The past year has been incredibly busy and rewarding for the Perth South West Metropolitan Alliance. While many of our achievements have focused on essential but behind-the-scenes operations, these efforts have strengthened the foundation of our work. Key improvements included IT enhancements, process updates, and the successful transition of the Alliance's finance systems to the City of Kwinana. I am deeply grateful to the Kwinana finance team for their guidance and support in helping us adapt to the new systems and in managing our accounts efficiently.**

A minor review of the United Regional Vision and Strategic Plan reaffirmed that these documents continue to meet the region's needs. Some adjustments were made to reflect evolving priorities, including a renewed focus on smart city initiatives, ensuring our strategy remains forward-looking and relevant.

This year also marked a significant refresh of the Alliance's Board, with the December meeting welcoming five new members. Their arrival has brought fresh perspectives and renewed energy to our work. I would like to acknowledge the contributions of the Alliance Chairs for 2023 and 2024, particularly Wayne Jack and Gail Bowman, who have provided me with guidance in their roles as CEO Chairs.

One of the year's highlights was the first joint briefing, which brought together councillors from across the region to hear from key stakeholders, including the Australian Submarine Agency, Westport, and Future of Fremantle. This session provided an invaluable opportunity to explore the scope of the megaprojects planned for the region and the transformative potential they hold for our communities.

Another standout moment was the Alliance's delegation to Brisbane. This visit offered inspiring insights into economic and city-building projects, innovative housing solutions, and cutting-edge public transport initiatives. These delegations not only provide fresh ideas to tackle challenges in our own region but also strengthen collaboration and understanding among local governments. They highlight the shared opportunities that arise from working together as a united region.

Finally, I want to extend my thanks to the Alliance team, Jessica Properjohn and Kath Broderick. Their hard work, dedication, and ability to navigate the complexities of our dynamic region have been instrumental in our achievements this year. No task has been too big, and their contributions are deeply appreciated.

As we look to the future, I am confident that the Alliance is well-positioned to continue driving positive outcomes for the Perth South West region, delivering on our shared vision for a vibrant and sustainable future.

**Warwick Carter**

**Director**



# KEY ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE PERTH SOUTH WEST METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE FOR 2023/24



The 2023/24 period has been a transformative and productive year for the Perth South West Metropolitan Alliance (PSWMA), marked by substantial progress across strategic planning, advocacy, collaboration, and infrastructure development. Guided by a renewed focus on regional priorities, the Alliance has worked tirelessly to advance initiatives that support economic growth, environmental sustainability, and enhanced liveability across the Perth South West region.



## Strategic Foundations and Organisational Strengthening

A key milestone was the completion of a minor review of the Strategic Plan and the United Regional Vision. These foundational documents were refined to reflect emerging priorities, such as AUKUS, while reaffirming existing objectives to meeting the region's needs. This process ensures that the Alliance's strategic direction remains robust and responsive to evolving challenges.

Operational improvements also featured. The Alliance transitioned its operations to a cloud-based platform, enhancing collaboration and efficiency, while its finance systems were seamlessly migrated to the City of Kwinana. This significant change was supported by the dedication of Kwinana's finance team, whose guidance enabled a smooth transition and ensured the effective management of the Alliance's accounts.



# STRATEGIC PLAN 2024 Update

	<b>STRATEGIC PROGRAM AREAS</b>		<b>GOALS</b>
<b>ADVOCACY</b>	<p>Advocating for the region’s needs and opportunities, including greater investment in enabling infrastructure and improvements to the policy, legal, regulatory and planning environment affecting the Region.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Position the Alliance as a credible and respected voice for a united region and a key stakeholder in the decision-making processes that affect the Region.</li> <li>• Build the Profile of the Alliance, its policy positions and strategic objectives with Federal and State Governments, media and key influencers and decision-makers.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop strong working relationships with stakeholders that influence or make major decisions that affect the region.</li> <li>• Form partnerships that assist regional advocacy.</li> </ul>
<b>INVESTMENT ATTRACTION &amp; BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT</b>	<p>Facilitate a clear and coordinated regional approach to investment attraction and development of existing industries in order to support economic development of the Region.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop the Region’s trade and investment network.</li> <li>• Promote the Region’s strategic assets and competitive advantages.</li> <li>• Identify and promote opportunities to invest in the Region.</li> <li>• Work with partner organisations to help regional SMEs identify and access pathways to new markets for their business.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coordinate management of incoming investment enquiries received via partners such as Austrade and JTSI.</li> <li>• Work with Member Councils and partner organisations to maintain a business environment that provides the best chance of success within the Region.</li> </ul>
<b>RESEARCH &amp; ANALYSIS</b>	<p>Collect information, undertake research and analysis that supports the Alliance’s vision for the Region, strategic plan goals and the aspirations of members.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Undertake research on key issues that affect the achievement of the Vision for the Region and promote research findings to encourage positive real world change.</li> <li>• Position the Alliance to respond to net zero aspirations in the region.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coordinate a regional approach to understanding of the value of data and its effective management and analysis of to improve service delivery and decision making.</li> <li>• Provide content on ‘regional issues and priorities’ for member council’s strategic community plans.</li> </ul>



## KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

- The region receives funding commitments or policy decision in accordance with Alliance advocacy priorities.
- State and Federal Members of Parliament are engaged with the Alliance, are aware of its advocacy priorities and consider them in strategy, policy and budget considerations.
- Infrastructure WA are engaged with the Alliance and produce material that recognises its advocacy priorities.
- The Alliance or member councils regularly have a 'seat at the table' and represent the Region's views at forums, roundtables, taskforces etc.
- Key decision makers and influencers deliver relevant deputations at Alliance Board meetings and Forums.
- The Region's strategic assets and investment opportunities are well known by partners such as Austrade and JTSI, and well represented in their promotional material, and trade and investment activities.
- The Alliance regularly hosts trade and investment delegations to showcase the Region's economic strengths and investment opportunities.
- The Alliance receives incoming investment enquiries and request for content from partners such as Austrade and JTSI.
- Regional SMEs are supported on inbound and outbound trade and investment delegations.
- The Alliance is invited by Federal and State Governments to be involved in economic development activities (e.g. employment, industry development, trade and investment etc.).
- Economic Development strategies and activities of members are more regional in their perspective and collaborative in their delivery.
- Key trade and investment partners deliver relevant deputations at Alliance Board meetings and Forums.
- There is evidence of a coordinated Regional approach to data collection, analysis and application.
- Information and data gaps are identified and filled collaboratively.
- Research and data collection and analysis is used directly to promote the advocacy priorities of the Alliance.
- Member councils are engaged with an understanding of methods to improve productivity and delivery of key services that support the Vision for the Region.
- Alliance members have a greater understanding of emerging technologies and their application to support the delivery of local government services.

## Advocacy Successes

The Alliance made notable strides in its advocacy efforts, engaging with state and federal stakeholders to advance the region's interests. A significant success was the amendment of the Australian Naval Nuclear Power Bill, which now includes clearer reporting mechanisms and recommendations for appointing local government representatives. This outcome reflects the Alliance's commitment to ensuring that regional voices are heard in matters of national importance.

Additionally, the Alliance's Chairs and Director held meetings in Canberra which provided valuable platforms for engagement. The Alliance was able to reinforce to the Commonwealth the need for timely decisions regarding the future of Henderson and the need for greater engagement in addressing the housing needs of AUKUS.



## Leadership and Collaboration

This year also saw significant changes in the Alliance's leadership, with the onboarding of five new Board members. Their fresh perspectives and expertise have continued to ensure the Board's deliberations remain dynamic and forward-thinking. The leadership of the 2023 and 2024 CEO Chairs, Wayne Jack and Gail Bowman, provided invaluable guidance, particularly in fostering collaboration among member councils.

The Alliance facilitated its first joint briefing, bringing together councillors from across the region to hear from key stakeholders, including the Australian Submarine Agency, Westport, and the Future of Fremantle Committee. This briefing underscored the transformative potential of the region's megaprojects and highlighted opportunities for coordinated action.



## Work Plan Implementation

The 2023/24 Work Plan outlined an ambitious agenda, and significant progress was made across key action areas.

To foster integrated planning and investment, the Alliance convened stakeholder roundtables, facilitating dialogue between economic development teams, state agencies, and industry groups. These sessions have not only strengthened regional partnerships but also enabled the sharing of critical information to drive informed decision-making.

Efforts to attract investment in high-quality property, commercial, and industrial development gained momentum. Member councils were briefed on leveraging the InvestWA platform to promote development-ready initiatives, and the Alliance engaged with international business groups and potential investors to showcase the region's opportunities.

Transport advocacy remained a core focus. The Alliance actively participated in state-led workshops on mid-tier transport planning, championing the importance of links such as Murdoch-Fremantle, Fremantle-Cockburn Coast-Cockburn Central, and the Rockingham City Centre Transit System. These projects are pivotal for achieving residential infill targets, reducing carbon emissions, and enhancing connectivity across the region.

The Alliance also continued to provide technical support for key initiatives, such as the Future of Fremantle Urban Design Plan and advocating for the reactivation of the Murdoch Activity Centre Precinct Group. These efforts are critical to fostering innovation, economic diversity, and sustainable development in strategic locations.



# Infrastructure and Sustainability

The Alliance advanced discussions on the Anketell Road-Thomas Road corridor and Rowley Road upgrades, both essential for supporting freight and industrial traffic. Advocacy for the Karnup Train Station and the Garden Island Highway also gained traction, with stakeholders recognising their potential to address Defence housing and transport challenges. Further, the future upgrades of the Kwinana Freeway to include additional lanes south of Russell Road are now reclassified a priority work, but are presently unfunded.

Active transport initiatives were another highlight. The completion of the draft Catalpa Bike Path plan, linking Rockingham and Fremantle via the coast, demonstrated the Alliance's commitment to promoting sustainable transport modes. The initial cost estimates for the project are significant, and staging options and alternative development models are being explored to ensure its feasibility before progressing further.

From a governance perspective, the Alliance supported the local governments in the Western Trade Coast to develop a single approach to the planning framework in the area, with further work to develop over the coming year. The work demonstrates local government's commitment to reducing 'red tape' and facilitating good development outcomes and economic growth.



## Future Focus

The achievements of 2023/24 reflect the Alliance's unwavering commitment to delivering positive outcomes for the Perth South West region. By advocating for critical infrastructure, fostering collaboration, and promoting sustainable development, the Alliance continues to position the region as a leader in economic growth and innovation.

Looking ahead, the Alliance remains focused on addressing the challenges and opportunities presented by initiatives like AUKUS, Westport, and the Future of Fremantle. By maintaining a united approach and building on the successes of this year, the Alliance is well-equipped to drive progress and ensure a vibrant and prosperous future for the region.

# COMMITTEES AND ASSOCIATED BODIES

The Perth South West Metropolitan Alliance is supported by a number of internal forums. The Perth South West Metropolitan Alliance seeks nominations from Member Councils for committees comprising of Councillors and Officers including the Perth South West Environmental Forum and to the special incorporated association, the South West Corridor Development Foundation Incorporated Associated (SWCDF Inc.).

Each Council nominates a representative and deputy for the Environmental Forum and SWCDF in a combined capacity. SWCDF includes other community representatives from the region and functions in compliance with requirements for incorporated bodies.



## South West Corridor Development Foundation Incorporated

### Objects of the association:

- a. facilitate and promote the development of the region and areas adjacent to the region;
- b. enhance and promote the region's attractiveness for industry and enterprise;
- c. enhance and promote the region's lifestyle;
- d. enhance and promote the region's natural attractions and
- e. enhance and promote the development of skills and expertise within and for the region.



Cr Adin Lang (2022-)

**Vice-Chair:** Cr Phoebe Corke – *City of Cockburn*

**Treasurer:** Cr Sherilyn Wood – *City of Kwinana*

**Secretary:** Dr Kathleen Broderick – *Regional Facilitator, Perth South West Metropolitan Alliance*



## Key activities 2023/24

### SAVING OUR SNAKE NECKED TURTLE

People love the local southwestern snake-necked turtle (*Chelodina oblonga*). However, it is under threat of extinction. This community-led project empowers people across south-western Australia to engage in proactive intervention to protect adults, nests and hatchling turtles and discover the critical information we need to halt the decline of snake-necked turtle populations. The project was established to ensure our community relates to, and cares for our natural settings and that this results in our ecosystems and species being protected and restored.



The successful 'Saving Our Snake Necked Turtle' program is continuing into the 24-25 year with 17 Councils and community groups throughout southwestern Australia participating. The team welcomed new partners including the Badgebup Aboriginal Corporation. So far, over 650 "Turtle Trackers" contributed over 6,000 hours to observe and protect approximately 2,500 turtles and 1,000 nests.

### REWILD PERTH

Several Perth South West Councils trialled Perth NRM's ReWild Perth program in 2023-24. This built momentum for a whole of region pilot in 24-25, where each Council co-contributes to the program, providing a range of community events and workshops.

### CELEBRATING COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

Community Volunteers across the region were celebrated at a special event in November 2023. The event celebrated 40 years of Landcare and the many volunteers who work on maintaining coastal areas, bushland and river foreshores, as well as those caring for specific species and places, such as the highly motivated Melville foreshore bird sanctuary group.

It was a successful event and provided opportunity for the SWCDF members and committee to meet and personally thank the many volunteers in the region.



## South West Environmental Forum

**Chairperson:** Cr Adin Lang (2022-)

The Perth South West Environmental Forum was established as a formal committee of the South West Group (Perth South West Metropolitan Alliance) in 2012 to provide a regional engagement structure for the Member Councils and other key stakeholders for environmental and natural resource management (NRM) issues.

The Environmental Forum welcomed new members in November 2023 and revisited their Strategic Plan in February 2024.

The purpose of the Strategic Plan is to provide:

- Direction for the Environmental Forum
- Agreed focus areas of the Environmental Forum
- Strong ownership of the plan and alignment of Environmental Forum Members and collaborators

The group's agreed vision for 'A thriving natural environment with sustainable development, supporting healthy ecosystems and community wellbeing.'

They agreed to work together to 'Collaboratively realise opportunities to achieve shared environmental and sustainability outcomes for our communities.'

The plan focuses effort on four areas and key highlights of 2023-24 are listed below:

### Community engagement and involvement

#### OWNERSHIP BY THE COMMUNITY

- Community Volunteers were thanked at a special event in November 2023, celebrating the 40th Anniversary of Landcare. This event was supported by the WA Landcare network and the State NRM program.
- Turtle Trackers, community members recruited and supported through the 'Saving Our Snake Necked Turtle' Program presented their findings and nest monitoring methods at the WA Wetlands Conference in February 2023.
- Provided secretariat, governance and administrative services to South West Corridor Development Foundation Inc.

## Natural area management

### A RESILIENT NETWORK OF NATURAL AREAS FOR COMMUNITY TO ENJOY

- Councils separately and jointly addressed secondary poisoning of owls and raptors from rat baits by examining Council practices in rodent management and by encouraging their contractors and communities to also become 'owl friendly'.
- A "Sediment Snapshot" event, held in June 2023 was designed to deliver understanding of the extent of sediment pollution in waterways, drains and wetlands. Participating Councils included City of Cockburn, City of Melville and City of Kwinana. This activity was developed in collaboration with Bronwyn Scallan from the Sediment Taskforce, Perth NRM and supported by Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions Rivers and estuaries staff and Department of Water and Environmental Regulation.
- The Perth South West 'Sediment Snapshot' was lauded at the WA Stormwater Awards for the innovative approach to this hidden pollution problem.
- In October 2023, staff from member Councils attended a Fuel Load Assessment course. This one-day course covered both theoretical and practical aspects of the assessment of Bushfire Hazard and Fuel Loads in urban bushland.
- The Perth South West Metropolitan alliance joined with the Committee for Perth to make a submission into the Perth Peel Greening Strategy.

## Climate action

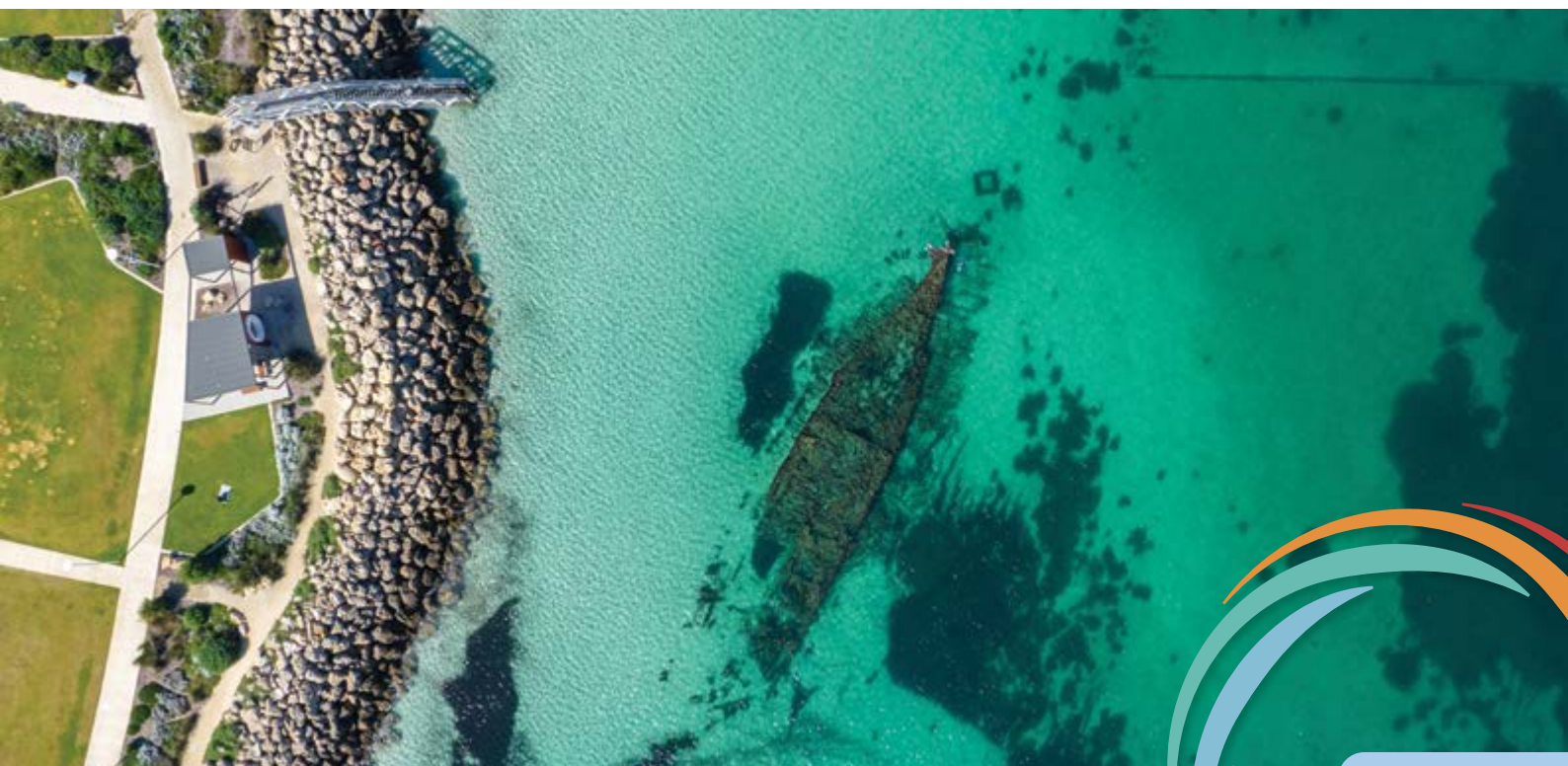
### MEMBER COUNCILS DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A CLIMATE ACTION PLAN

- Member Councils shared their Climate Action Plans and their experiences in undertaking emissions inventories, monitoring and reporting on emissions reductions, and successfully engaging communities in reference and action groups.
- 'Climate Positive Perth' launched on October 5th, 2023, was launched by Dr Brad Pettitt, Member for South Metropolitan Region. The report was developed over a series of workshops, and document reviews involving input from Perth South West Metropolitan Alliance.

## Manage sustained development

### TRY EVERYTHING AND SHARE WHAT WORKS

- The Perth South West group facilitated a regional trails position, and the Tramway Reserve Trail design group to progress these sustainability initiatives, aimed at delivering sustainable transport options and securing conservation values of the region's ecological corridors. Regional Trails Network Masterplan grant application submitted to DLGSC Community Trails Planning but was unsuccessful.



# PERTH SOUTH WEST METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE

(FORMERLY SOUTH WEST GROUP)

## FINANCIAL REPORT

For the year ending 30 June 2024

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**PERTH SOUTH WEST METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE.  
(Formerly South West Group)**

**CERTIFICATION BY MEMBERS OF THE  
BOARD FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024**

The Board has determined that the Perth South West Metropolitan Alliance is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the Board, the financial report, as attached:

- (i) Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of **Perth South West Metropolitan Alliance** as at **30 June 2024** and its performance for the year ended on that date.
- (ii) At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that **Perth South West Metropolitan Alliance** will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board and is signed for and on behalf of the Board by:



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**Warwick Carter**  
**Director**

**Date: 6/11/2024**



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**Wayne Jack**  
**CEO**

**Date: 5/11/2024**

**PERTH SOUTH WEST METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE**  
(Formerly South West Group)

**ASSETS AND LIABILITIES STATEMENT AS AT 30 JUNE 2024**

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	2	806,668	645,015
Trade and other receivables	3	207,866	0
Prepayments		5,068	1,465
		<u>1,019,602</u>	<u>646,480</u>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Trade and other payables	4	503,276	116,996
Provision for Long Service Leave	5	23,634	23,634
		<u>526,910</u>	<u>140,630</u>
<b>Net Current Assets</b>		<u>492,692</u>	<u>505,850</u>
<b>Non-Current Liabilities</b>			
Provision for Long Service Leave	5	16,095	0
		<u>16,095</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u><u>476,597</u></u>	<u><u>505,850</u></u>
<b>MEMBER'S FUNDS</b>			
Retained Surplus	6	<u><u>476,597</u></u>	<u><u>505,850</u></u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

**PERTH SOUTH WEST METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE**  
(Formerly South West Group)

**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024**

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
<b>Revenue</b>			
Membership Fees		512,612	512,001
NRM Facilitator Contributions		126,000	126,000
Interest		13,595	0
		<u>652,207</u>	<u>638,001</u>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Employee Costs		309,161	188,619
Travel Expenses		102,030	3,905
Secretarial & Office Costs		15,430	23,136
Consultant and Management Fees	7	248,136	193,835
Audit Fees		4,950	5,250
Other Project Costs	8	1,753	1,339
		<u>681,460</u>	<u>416,084</u>
<b>Current Year Surplus/(Loss)</b>		<u><u>-29,253</u></u>	<u><u>221,917</u></u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

**PERTH SOUTH WEST METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE**  
(Formerly South West Group)

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024**

**NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The financial report is a special purpose financial report. The committee has determined that the Perth South West Metropolitan Alliance is not a reporting entity.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non current assets.

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>NOTE 2 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>		
Cash at Bank	806,668	645,015
	806,668	645,015

**NOTE 3 TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES**

CURRENT

Trade Debtors	207,866	0
	207,866	0

**NOTE 4 TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES**

CURRENT

Trade Creditors	503,276	116,912
GST Payable	0	84
	503,276	116,996

**NOTE 5 PROVISION FOR LONG SERVICE LEAVE**

Current	23,634	23,634
Non-current	16,095	0
Closing Funds	39,729	23,634



	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	\$	\$
<b>NOTE 6 RETAINED SURPLUS</b>		
Opening Funds	505,850	283,933
Net Profit / (Loss)	-29,253	221,917
Closing Funds	<u>476,597</u>	<u>505,850</u>

<b>Share of Equity</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>%</b>
City of Cockburn	111,619	23.42%	117,198	23.17%
Town of East Fremantle	35,602	7.47%	38,678	7.65%
City of Fremantle	61,624	12.93%	66,213	13.09%
City of Kwinana	61,910	12.99%	66,494	13.15%
City of Melville	94,414	19.81%	97,722	19.32%
City of Rockingham	111,428	23.38%	119,545	23.63%
	<u>476,597</u>	100%	<u>505,850</u>	100%

**NOTE 7 CONSULTANT AND MANAGEMENT FEES**

Accommodation Charge - City of Melville	0	5,000
Admin Service Charge - City of Melville	0	20,000
Admin Service Charge - City of Kwinana	25,000	0
Government Relations & Advocacy	44,659	42,395
Investment Attraction & Business Development	19,251	23,508
NRM Strategy	103,962	91,408
Research & Collaboration	55,264	11,524
	<u>248,136</u>	<u>193,835</u>

**NOTE 8 OTHER PROJECT COSTS**

Meeting Expenses	1,753	1,339
	<u>1,753</u>	<u>1,339</u>

## **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF PERTH SOUTH WEST METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE**

### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial report of Perth South West Metropolitan Alliance (the entity) which comprises the asset and liabilities statement as at 30 June 2024, the income and expenditure statement for the year then ended, and notes to the financial report, including a summary of material accounting policies and Certification by Members of the Board.

In our opinion the accompanying financial report of Perth South West Metropolitan Alliance is giving a true and fair view of the entity's financial position as at 30 June 2024 and of its performance for the period ended, and complying with Australian Accounting Standards to extent described in Note 1.

### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the Entity in accordance with the independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### **Emphasis of Matter – Basis of Accounting**

We draw attention to Note 1 of the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

### **Responsibility of the Directors for the Financial Report**

The directors of the entity are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view. The directors' responsibility also includes such internal controls as the directors determine necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the special purpose financial report, the directors are responsible for assessing the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Entity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT  
TO THE MEMBERS OF PERTH SOUTH WEST METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE  
(CONTINUED)**

**Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Report**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to include the economic decisions of the users taken on the basis of this financial report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standard Board website at [http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors\\_responsibilities/ar4.pdf](http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf). This description forms part of our audit report.



GREG GODWIN  
PARTNER



MOORE AUSTRALIA AUDIT (WA)  
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

Signed at Perth this 8th day of November 2024.



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