



## Expressions of Interest - Western Australia Planning Commission

### Information for Applicants

The Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC) has state-wide responsibility for urban, rural and regional integrated strategic and statutory land use planning and land development. Its functions and authority to undertake and regulate land use planning and development are established under the *Planning and Development Act 2005*.

The WAPC operates with the support of the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage which provides professional and technical expertise, administrative services and corporate resources to assist its decision-making. Some WAPC functions such as decisions on subdivision and development applications are also delegated to the Department.

The WAPC's responsibilities include:

- advising the Minister for Planning on strategic land use planning and land development, legislation reform and local planning schemes
- making statutory decisions on a range of planning application types
- implementing the [State Planning Strategy](#) to provide a vision for the future development of Western Australia
- developing integrated land use planning strategies for the coordinated provision of transport and infrastructure for land development
- preparing and reviewing region schemes to cater for anticipated growth
- monitoring and forecasting land supply throughout the State and developing strategies for the timely supply of affordable residential land
- researching and developing planning methods and models relating to land use planning, land development and associated matters
- acquiring land for public requirement reservations in region planning schemes and negotiating compensation for affected landowners.

In June 2020, amendments were made to the *Planning and Development Act 2005* (Part 17) to assist with the State's economic recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic by creating a contemporary and modern approach to planning. As part of these changes, the WAPC became a decision-maker for development proposals of State or regional significance for the lodged between June 2020 and 6 January 2022. The WAPC is supported in this new role by the State Development Assessment Unit (link) within the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage.

### Current Vacancies

The position of a suitable person with practical knowledge of and experience in one or more of the fields of environmental conservation, natural resource management or heritage interests to be appointed to the board in accordance with Section 10(1)(b)(v) of the *Planning and Development Act 2005*.

### Membership and Committees

Details of the composition of the Board and its Committees can be found [here](#)

## Meetings

Ordinary Board meetings are held monthly on a Wednesday morning commencing at 9.30am.

Meetings for the consideration of development applications associated with Part 17 of the *Planning and Development Act 2005* associated with the State's economic recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic are held weekly on Thursday afternoons.

Meetings are generally held at 140 William Street, Perth, however the WAPC schedules some regional meetings each year.

WAPC members may also be requested to attend special meetings, workshops, briefings and respond to out-of-session agenda items as required.

## Fees and Allowances

The Public-Sector Commissioner has recommended that [eligible](#) members of the Board are paid \$27,619 per annum

In accordance with the Public-Sector Commissioner's Circular 2009-20, [Reimbursement of Travel Expenses for Members of Government Boards and Committees](#), members may also be eligible for travel expenses.

## Term

The appointment will be for a term of 12 months expiring on 31 December 2022.

## How to Apply

Please submit your application via the EOI application form at [consultation.dplh.wa.gov.au](http://consultation.dplh.wa.gov.au).

As part of your application you will need to provide:

- Current employment details
- Curriculum vitae (CV) in the prescribed format
- Contact details of two referees

You will also be asked to address the following selection criteria:

1. professional qualifications, expertise and experience that will contribute to the work of the Western Australian Planning Commission
2. your demonstrated interest in the position
3. knowledge and understanding of probity requirements including conflicts of interest and confidentiality.

Applications close at 5pm on Monday, 6 December 2021. For further information, please call Ms Sam Fagan, Manager, Commission Business on 6551 9741 or via email to [sam.fagan@dplh.wa.gov.au](mailto:sam.fagan@dplh.wa.gov.au).

LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.