

# **DISTRICT PLANNING COMMITTEES FUNCTIONS**

## **FUNCTIONS OF THE DISTRICT PLANNING COMMITTEES**

### **CONSTITUTION**

Set up under Sections 23 and 24 of the Metropolitan Region Town Planning Scheme Act 1959 for the purposes of assisting and advising the Commission, the City of Perth and the groups of local governments referred to in the First Schedule, shall each appoint from among their mayors, councillors or members, as the case may be, a District Planning Committee as provided in this section.

### **FUNCTION**

Each district planning committee may, and at the direction of the Commission shall within the time stipulated by the direction or within such extended time as the Minister may authorise, make inquiries into and report and formulate recommendations in respect to the Metropolitan Region Scheme so far as it relates to the area or part of the area comprising the districts which the District Planning Committee represents. However, the constitution of a district planning committee gives it the power to discuss any planning matters, other than those directly pertaining to the Metropolitan Region Scheme, as it sees fit.

### **FUNCTION OF PERTH REGION PLANNING COMMITTEE**

The following key committees, established under Section 19 of the WAPC Act 1985 support the work of the Western Australian Planning Commission and provide expertise in areas of –

- Executive Finance and Property;
- Statutory Planning;
- Regional Planning;
- Transport; and
- Infrastructure Coordination

The Statutory Planning Committee has taken over the functions of the former Committee for Statutory Procedures. Its role is to consider and approve town planning schemes, subdivisions and matters of statutory policy. Five representatives from the District Planning committees and a member of the Perth City Council meet with the Statutory Planning Committee as the PERTH REGION PLANNING COMMITTEE to monitor and amend the Perth Metropolitan Region Scheme.

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