



Land Use

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The Westport Taskforce is preparing a strategy to develop our ports and connecting infrastructure to propel the long-term sustainable growth of Perth and Bunbury.

The strategy will examine:

- How the ports and transport networks at Fremantle, Kwinana and Bunbury can be best configured to handle the future trade task;
- The location of port users such as industries and businesses that need to link with the port directly or indirectly via major transport hubs;
- Opportunities for future industrial expansion near the ports and transport hubs so that similar industries may benefit from being located near each other;
- Access to essential utilities such as water and power; and
- Opportunities to support social development.

Westport is mindful of our need to maintain liveable cities where people want to live and work. Therefore, careful consideration will also be given to identifying transition requirements to separate industrial land from sensitive land uses and residential developments.

What is land use planning?

Our natural environment has been managed and modified over centuries to meet our housing, recreational, industrial, commercial, agricultural and transport needs.

Today, land is managed and modified through a 'land use' planning system that involves the coordination of planning, land use and development. Land use planning includes the review, approval and monitoring of planning schemes, policies, structure plans as well as subdivision and development applications. All levels of government are all involved in the land use planning process.

In WA, the Western Australian Planning Commission is responsible for the strategic planning of the State.



What is Westport doing about land use?



The Westport Taskforce has established a team encompassing government, peak bodies and industry experts to examine the economic, environmental and social constraints and opportunities associated with Westport now and into the future.

With regards to their impact on Westport port planning, the team will focus on:



Environment (marine and terrestrial)



Land use planning (zoning, built environment)



Economic development



Current and future industry



Utilities (water, power, gas)



Governance (state agreements, local governments)



Social development (jobs, skills and access to work)

This team will:

- Identify land use opportunities and constraints associated with land-side aspects of identified options around Fremantle, Kwinana and Bunbury;
- Investigate global practice to manage industry impacts on sensitive land uses;
- Investigate future land use opportunities at Latitude 32 and feasibility of port-related land use options;
- Use web-based spatial data to describe findings so that information can be examined and shared easily; and
- Keep the community informed about the land use deliberations being undertaken and how they may shape the overall freight network.



Westport and Perth and Peel @ 3.5 Million

In 2018, the Western Australian Planning Commission released the Perth and Peel @ 3.5 Million sub-regional planning frameworks. These documents identify how land has been allocated throughout the Perth and Peel Regions to accommodate a population of 3.5 million people around 2050. They show where people will live and work and identify the major transport corridors throughout the city.

Bunbury is outside the area of the Perth and Peel @ 3.5 Million frameworks, but has its own Greater Bunbury Region Scheme (GBRS). This guides planning in the City of Bunbury and the shires of Harvey, Dardanup and Capel. The GBRS works to a time horizon of around 2031 when the population of Greater Bunbury is expected to exceed 100,000 people.

Westport will be guided by the land use and population horizons identified in both the Perth and Peel @ 3.5 million frameworks and the Bunbury Region Scheme.

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