



THE GREENS (WA) 2016 - 2017 ANNUAL REPORT



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THE FOUR PILLARS



PARTICIPATORY DEMOCRACY

An open system that allows meaningful participation by the whole community is the basis of true democracy.



PEACE & NON-VIOLENCE

Nonviolent methods of conflict resolution, with a focus on nuclear disarmament, are essential as we work towards a world at peace.



SOCIAL JUSTICE

A fair, equitable and humane society is based implicitly on equal justice for all.



ECOLOGICAL SUSTAINABILITY

Our economic and environmental management must be founded on sustainable practices to guarantee a viable future for our children.



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CO-CONVENORS' REPORT

by GRAHAME BOWLAND & HANNAH MILLIGAN

The past twelve months can be best described as 'eventful'. We've made some significant gains, particularly as a result of our successful State Election campaign, but we have also encountered some unexpected challenges.

As a result of the State Election campaign, our representation in the WA Parliament doubled, with the election of Alison Xamon (North Metro), Diane Evers (South West), Robin Chapple (Mining and Pastoral), and Tim Clifford (East Metro). Unfortunately, Lynn MacLaren, our former member for the South Metro Region, was not re-elected. We thank Lynn for her enormous contribution to our party and the Western Australian community, having represented us in Parliament since 2009.

The State Election result was achieved through the work of a number of campaign teams, coordinated through the Election Campaign Committee (ECC). ECC is now gearing up for the Federal Election campaign. The election is anticipated to be in the second half of 2018. The earliest possible time for the election is July – only nine months away. The time to get involved is now, as we build up to a winning campaign.

In April, just after the state campaign, Sophie Greer took on a new role, as the first State Director of The Greens (WA). Sophie has done essential work, improving and streamlining the party's administration, coordinating and supporting campaigns, and taking on time-critical, responsive work that it would not be possible for the party office bearers to handle. Our thanks to Sophie for her outstanding work.

Representatives Council
is the governing body
of our party.

Representatives from our eleven regional groups, plus the office bearers, meet monthly to make key decisions, guided by positions formed at Regional Group meetings. It's worth highlighting some key achievements of Representatives Council during the past year:

- Membership approval processes were significantly streamlined, with online decision making allowing for members to potentially be approved within days of application to join.
- Engagement with the Australian Greens, and its National Council and Conferences, through our State Member (Viv Glance, and previously Troy Treeby); Deputy State Member (Hannah Milligan, and previously Viv Glance) and our Lead Delegate (Shaun Newman)
- Revision of the Preselection Bylaws, the first major update in seven years
- Forming a new Busselton-Dunsborough Regional Group
- Strategic oversight of the party, including its electoral goals, as well as ensuring our long-term financial health.

Administration Working Group works to implement many of the decisions of Representatives Council. Some key achievements in the past year are:

- Renewal of our lease at 440 William Street, for a three-year term, at a decreased rental rate (thanks to Sophie's successful negotiation)
- Negotiating a new Enterprise Agreement with our staff
- Supporting the state election campaign, particularly in finance and budgetary areas

An unexpected challenge arose this July, when Senator Scott Ludlam was made aware that he held New Zealand citizenship. Scott made a principled decision to immediately resign his seat in the Australian Senate. Along with a number of other parliamentarians, Scott was referred to the Court of Disputed Returns, for a ruling on his eligibility to sit in the parliament. It is hoped that this matter will be resolved soon. I'm sure all members of The Greens will join with us in sincerely thanking Scott for his contribution

to the party, and for representing the people of Western Australia since 2007.

During July this year, Sarah Nielsen-Harvey resigned from the Co-Convenor role, which she had held since the Annual General Meeting in October 2016. We would like to thank and acknowledge Sarah for her work while she was in the role, and look forward to her continuing contribution in her new roles within The Greens (WA). Our party simply wouldn't function without fantastic members who take on roles and get active. Our deep thanks to the convenors, secretaries, treasurers, and all members of our Working Groups; to the amazing crew who volunteer in the office, and to every single person who's been active in the party, in any capacity, over the last year.

Parliaments can be extremely challenging workplaces, so our thanks to our Members of Parliament who go into those places and work to deliver a greener future. Thanks also to all the amazing staff of our parliamentarians, and especially thanks for their support of the party and its membership as we work with parliamentary offices to campaign for change.

Finally, thanks to the staff of The Greens (WA) for their hard work over the past year – Sophie, Rowena and Jenny, plus the staff who came on board for the state election campaign, and notably Andrew as the campaign manager. Next January, Western Australia will play host to the National Conference of the Australian Young Greens. This will be a great opportunity for all members to meet folks from 'over east', and build links with our comrades in other states and territories.

We head into the next year, and the coming federal election campaign, as a strong and growing party. Our greatest strength is our membership. All members can get involved in our working groups, which have responsibility for areas such as campaigns, policy, fundraising, and national engagement. Stepping up is as simple as contacting the convenor of the group you'd like to join – so we'll finish this report by encouraging all members to take the leap, and get involved. Together, we can make the next twelve months even better than the last.

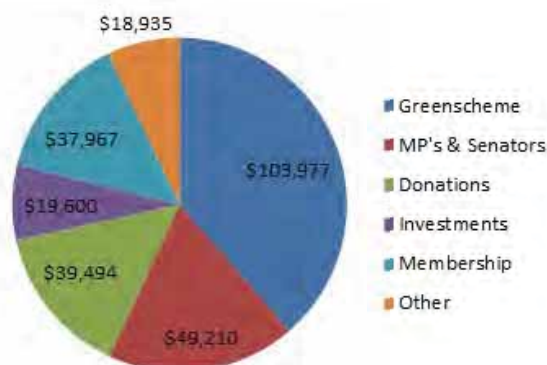
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by GIORGIA JOHNSON

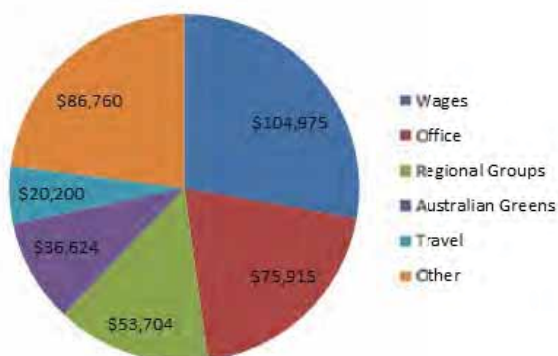
Our financial reports are consolidated and include all the activities of The Greens (WA): our operating or administration activities that keep the office running, all of our campaigns and our regional groups. The overall result for the 2016-17 year was a surplus of \$549,623. This was made of:

- a \$108,995 loss on operations
- a surplus of \$848,393 on the July 2016 Federal election, and
- a loss of \$189,775 on the March 2017 State election.

Operations Income by Source



Operations Expenses by Category



This year for the first time the financial account are reported on an accruals basis. This means that income and expenses are recognised in the year that they were incurred. To provide meaningful comparisons, the 2016 figures in the reports have also been accrued, and so are different to those presented last year. The changes are detailed in the full financial report. The move to accruals reporting is because of the size of the organisation and is determined by the Associations Incorporation Act, which changed recently.

The events of the year can be seen reflected in the financial reports. The way in which they affected our income and expenses include:

Federal Election

The income and expenses for the successful 2 July 2016 election are spread over two years. By 30 June 2016, all of the election expenses had been paid or committed, so the expenses are shown in the 2016 year, along with all of the donations and fundraising received. The election funding received was determined by the election result, which wasn't known until after the election, so the federal funding is included in the 2017 year. The overall result of the election was a surplus of \$228,097.

State Election

As state election funding is restricted to certain expenses, we expect a loss. The loss of \$189,775 on the March 2017 State

election includes the amounts spent by regional groups and upper house campaigns.

Parliamentary Levies

Making up 40% of our operational income, financial contributions made by our elected representatives increased in June, with the effective doubling of our state parliamentary team.

Commencement of our State Director

The creation of this position during the year is a crucial investment in our future.

Members and Greenscheme

We are our membership – members through their membership fees and regular greenscheme contributions paid for 38% of our operational costs.

Donations

Our members and supporters are crucial to every campaign – together they donated \$319,862 this year. This generosity covered 26% of all our expenses.

Interest on Deposits

During the year, with the generosity of our donors and some good management decisions, we were able to maintain our long term deposits, and while interest rates are historically low, interest made up 7% of our operational income.

The Future Fund

Founded in 2015 to support our future, continues to grow and is now fully invested in a balance of deposits and shareholdings. This year it contributed \$5,522 to operations, a return of 3.6%. A full report is available.

Reporting and Disclosures

Reporting and disclosures are a big part of our financial compliance and have been completed on time and with no further action required.

Divestment

Divestment from institutions that invest in fossil fuels has continued and is on track to be complete in 2018, with all of our deposits and most of our transactions accounts being held in divested banks.

We have ended the financial year with \$791,994 in the bank, we have made provisions for many of our future expenses and are well placed for the year ahead.

Thank you to:

- our Representatives Council for their overall responsibility and for making the big decisions,
- Admin Working Group for their responsible management,
- our Future Fund directors, especially Mark Siford for their work in securing our future
- our fundraising and donor relations team, especially Chilla Bulbeck, and
- our finance team. We can't manage, implement and report on our activities without the timely and accurate work of Rowena Skinner, Jenny Sullivan, Annabelle Newbury and Briohny Robinson. Thank you all so very much.

The full financial reports are provided as a separate document. Please ask for a copy if you did not receive one.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

by RYAN QUINN

As Secretary for the second half of the last year it has been my privilege to work closely alongside some of our dedicated and passionate Greens members. Stepping up to the role I was ready for my next challenge in the Greens, and at times the role certainly has been challenging! This is a point I'm sure Margo Beilby, who held the role prior, can testify to.

Working with the other office bearers and closely with our wonderful State Director, Sophie Greer, and the Administration Working Group team, I have enjoyed the challenges associated with the internal governance and administration of the party. As a team we have worked our way through a number of challenges and sought to improve processes where we can. Reducing the length of our Representatives Council meeting is one such example. It's been a pleasure working with this team, who are dedicated to making sure we run efficiently as a party, and in accordance with our core values.

As Secretary, officially my role includes maintaining the register of membership for the party. However, for this task I am indebted to our hard working membership officers Jean le Quesne and Eddie Marynowicz who have consistently handled the task with ease. As our volunteer membership officers, Jean and Eddie ensure that all our new members are processed in accordance with correct procedure and welcomed warmly into the party.

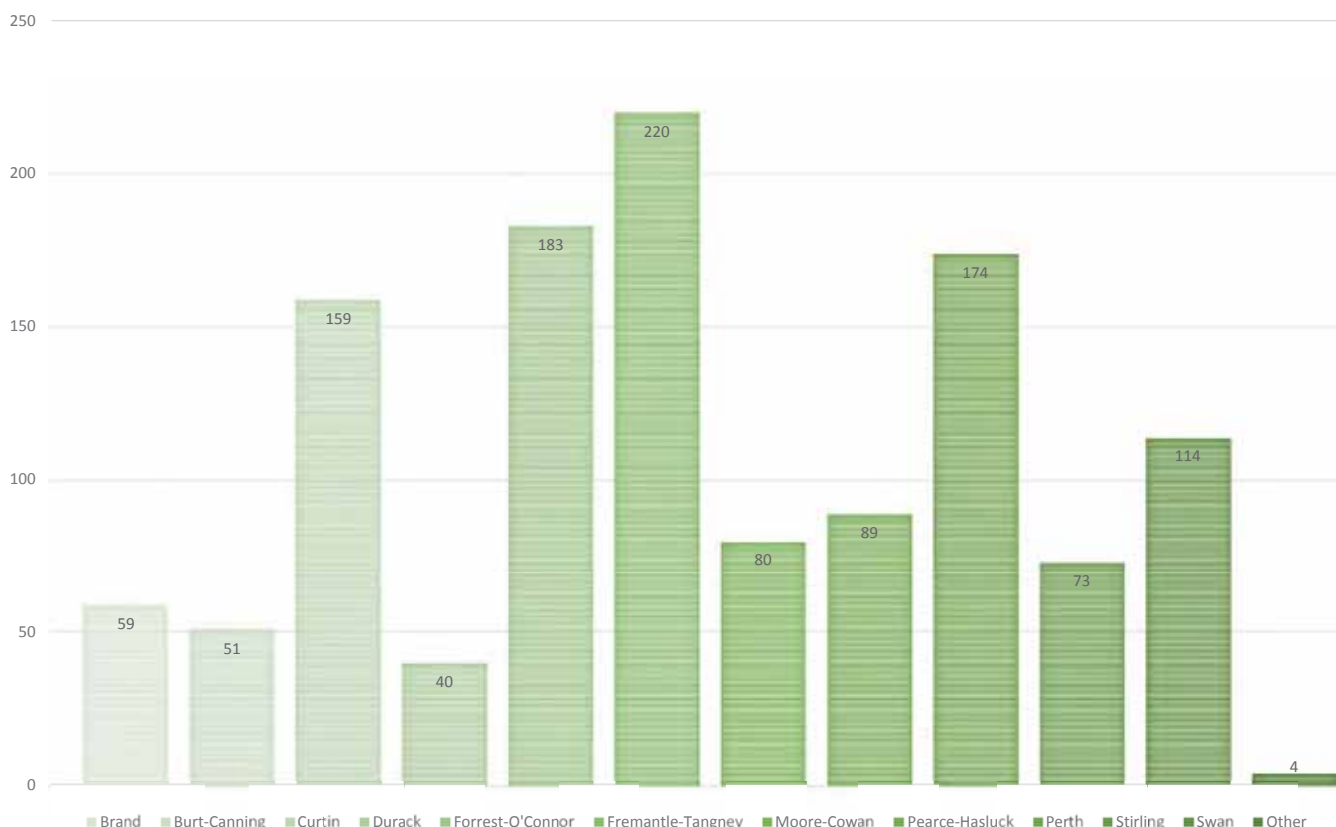
Over the past year, since our last AGM, the party has continued to grow the movement. Throughout the state election we had more Greens members and supporters on the ground than ever before! Officially, as of October 2017, we have 1,365 members from all parts of the state and 31% on Greenscheme. This number is a slight decrease from the previous year, which is likely attributed to members who joined during the 2016 federal campaign dropping off after a year. Sophie, Chilla, Jean, Eddie and I have been working on internal processes to help retain some of these lapsed members and hope to see an improvement over the coming year.

In terms of regional group representation, Forrest-O'Connor and Fremantle-Tangney have the highest number of members, followed by Perth and Curtin. However, only Brand and Swan have recorded a total increase in members over the past year. Across the board there are more members signed up to Greenscheme, with almost every regional group boosting their numbers in this regard. Stirling regional group should be noted as being the only group with over 50% of members signed up to Greenscheme!

Thanks is also owed to my predecessor, Margo Beilby who has overseen the implementation of the continuous membership process via Loomio, which has enabled the party to be more efficient in the processing of new members. Thanks are also due to all of the local membership officers, who are often the first people to speak with our new members and welcome them into our local regional groups.

I'd like to finish by formally thanking my fellow office bearers Hannah Milligan and Grahame Bowland as Co-convenors, and Giorgia Johnson as Treasurer; Sophie Greer, our State Director; and the members of the Administration Working Group – Cadell Eynon, Annabelle Newbury, Rowena Skinner, Katrina House, and Jordon Steele-John.

MEMBERSHIP PER REGIONAL GROUP



STATE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

by SOPHIE GREER

It is a privilege to be the Greens (WA) State Director.

Since taking on the role in April, we have achieved so much together. Despite being a time of 'rest and recharge' after a massive few years of relentless election campaigning, we have got a lot done & made some big plans for the years ahead.

I'm proud that over the last 6 months our team has focused on:

- Building better relationship with our members; making new members feel welcome, increasing participation in decision making and understanding how to get involved and make an impact,
- Improving Party Governance; working alongside our decision-making bodies to improve participation of members and the effectiveness of meetings.
- Working closely with our Federal and State Parliamentary Teams, and building strong working relationships with the Australian Greens and other State Parties,
- Making an impact; we've been campaigning on issues, including YES for marriage equality and supporting members in their efforts to run for local council,
- Preparing for the next election; we've established an ongoing election campaign committee, we're building teams, and upskilling members to be ready for the next federal election. Plus, we've set up a process to pre-select our lead Senate candidate,



- Improving our processes; we've reviewed by-laws, including a new approach to conflict resolution, and we're working towards our health and safety targets, and
- Focusing on Fundraising; we know we need funds to achieve our goals, we've been reviewing our processes and setting budgets – with a focus on raising big so we can make a huge impact.

Our members contribute to our movement in so many varied ways; from knocking on doors, to contributing financially, sewing flags to putting their hand up as a candidate.

There's not enough space, or words to appreciate the effort everyone has put in over the last year. So, to everyone who has given an hour, a day, or much more thank you for taking time away from your loved ones and thank you for contributing to achieve our Greens' vision.

Together, we're one step closer to a fairer and more compassionate world that we would all like to see.

For the next year we will be focusing on growing our movement; getting more people involved, campaigning more successfully within our communities and making sure our Party processes best allow us to make our vision for WA and beyond a reality.

We've got a lot of work to do, and I look forward to being a part of it with you all.



REPORTS FROM OUR GREENS (WA) MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT▲



RACHEL SIEWERT

SENATOR FOR WESTERN AUSTRALIA

It has definitely been an eventful twelve months starting off with a bang with the cliff hanger election. Then of course we went straight into preparing for the state election. While it was great to get two new MLCs, it was very sad to lose Lynn MacLaren in South Metro. It was the biggest state campaign we have run with more volunteers than ever knocking on doors and phone banking. We really can't do it without our dedicated volunteers.

One of the things that I enjoy about this job is the proactive work we do and this year we ran a very successful workshop with members on the Universal Basic income (UBI) and Guaranteed Adequate Income and had some very productive discussion. I have also been working closely with the Green Institute on this policy. I also attended a UBI Workshop at the University of Melbourne with experts from around the globe. I hope to be able to take a draft of this policy to the next national conference.

One of the really exciting events this year was the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders Peoples constitution convention. With the Uluru Statement from the Heart now published we have a really clear picture of what Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples want in terms of reform which is an exciting place to be. It is now time to put politics aside and implement real change. Changing the date of Australia Day is certainly a simple positive step in the right direction in addressing our unfinished business and it has been really encouraging to see Councils around Australia putting these changes in motion, we continue to campaign on this.



In October I had the privilege of going to Alice Springs to celebrate 10 years of the rollout of Opal fuel which has done so much to reduce harm from petrol sniffing. Then in June I was back in Alice Spring to mark the 10 years after the NT intervention. It was a moving and inspiring time to hear experiences of survival and courage despite ten years of this punitive approach that is wreaking havoc on communities.

With the Government's ongoing relentless attacks on vulnerable people much of our efforts have been focused on trying to ward off the attacks on our income support system and those on income support. I spent a good part of this year on the robo-debt debacle.

I have been working in the Parliament and with community campaigns across Australia to fight the roll out of the cashless welfare card. I've made trips to Port Hedland, Broome and Kununurra with Robin Chapple to work with the local community to stop the further roll out of the card. It is crystal clear that the Government is not consulting with communities and using questionable statistics to back up their "evidence" that the trial site areas are seeing improvements.

My position as chair of the Community Affairs Committee keeps me very busy and on the road. The public hearings that are part of our Inquiries really give people who are often ignored by the Parliament and politicians a voice. Certainly one of the most high profile issues we covered this year was the Centrelink robo debt debacle which I referred to the committee. It was so important that people who were essentially being harassed by the Government, days before Christmas were able to tell their experiences to the committee. While we certainly have a long way to go in reforming the system, this Inquiry was very important for many people.

We also completed a harrowing Inquiry into the indefinite detention of people with cognitive and psychiatric impairment. I will continue to campaign for the Government to act on the Committees recommendations as well as for a royal commission into violence and abuse of people with disability.

I am a member of the Joint Standing Committee on the NDIS which has been holding hearings across Australia. We are seeing some major problems with the planning process in the NDIS which need addressing urgently. I will continue to raise these issues as it would be a monumental shame to see this huge transition leaving people worse off when it was intended to do the exact opposite.

I also initiated an Inquiry into the Government's disgraceful Commonwealth Development Program. We have already heard damning evidence at the public hearings so far and I have some confidence that this Inquiry will result in a better deal for rural and remote communities.

It has been a great pleasure to have been involved in the Greens WA's ongoing work of engagement with the Muslim Community in Perth. Our Unity Picnic last year was a wonderful success and I have since done a number of political engagement workshops at the Australia Islamic College and we continue to build our relationship with the Perth Mosque and other mosques around Perth.

I'm looking forward to this coming year and continuing to campaign on these important issues.

SCOTT LUDLAM

FORMER SENATOR FOR WESTERN AUSTRALIA

And so, its done.

As I write this, the High Court is considering how it will handle the shambles of resignations, obfuscations, reinventions and outright hallucinations that now has its own Wikipedia page: the 2017 Australian parliamentary eligibility crisis. The Canberra office has been closed for two months; the Fremantle office is still present and staffed by some of the most wonderful people you'll ever meet, but the cardboard boxes and rolls of packing tape tell their own story. Time, and this strange time in particular, is marching on.

To answer the two most commonly asked questions: no, I didn't foresee that I'd set off this domino tumble of increasingly high-stakes consequences, and yes, I really am that careless to have missed my own citizenship status all this time. I know this is particularly hard on everyone who worked so hard in consecutive elections; I'm sorry for the enormous disruption and displacement of workload that this has caused.

People stepped up in the most remarkable way after that last somber press conference of July 14 – too many to thank here, but team Rach, team Richard and of course the irreplaceable team Freo stand out for simple cheerful determination in the face of this sad and unexpected situation. The world hasn't stood still: nuclear provocation in our region, procedural abuse of LGBTI individuals and families here at home, and everywhere, signs of resistance, dissent and creativity.



It has been a rough few months for the Greens; shocks external and internal have tested us individually and collectively, but here we still are: stronger and more determined. As always, the next election looms, but we've never lost sight of our overriding purpose.

I mentioned in passing on the 14th that there are other ways to make trouble; while I'm thinking through what happens next for me, I really want to thank everyone who reached out over the last few months with appreciation, sympathy and wry humour. It has been an irreplaceable honour to work as your representative and advocate, in the Parliament and out in the community, and I look forward to making trouble with you, in some capacity or another, as we confront the challenges of 2018 and beyond.

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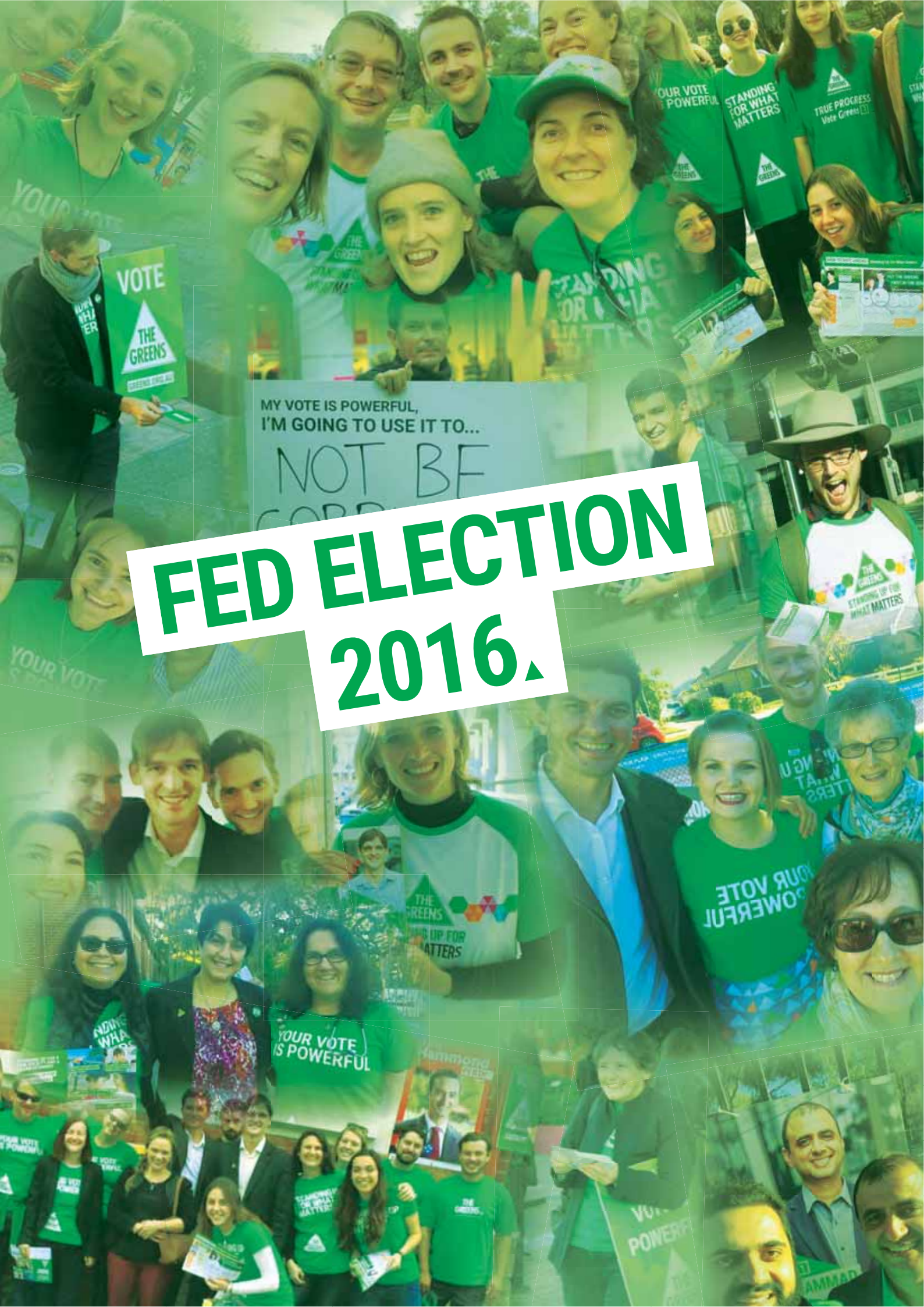
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FED ELECTION 2016.

2016 FED ELECTION RESULTS RECAP

SENATE - 10.53% (WA)

BRAND

DAWN JECKS

11.7% (+4.3%)

BURT

MUHAMMAD SALMAN

8.0% (+0.3%)

CANNING

AERON BLUNDELL-CAMDEN

8.7% (+1.6%)

COWAN

SHERIDAN YOUNG

7.6% (-0.2%)

CURTIN

VIV GLANCE

14.2% (-0.6%)

DURACK

IAN JAMES

10.1% (+3.1%)

FORREST

JILL READING

12.0% (+2.1%)

FREMANTLE

KATE DAVIS

17.7% (+5.9%)

HASLUCK

PATRICK HYSLOP

12.7% (+2.3%)

MOORE

DANIEL LINDLEY

12.7% (+2.8%)

PEARCE

LEE-ANNE MILES

11.0% (+1.1%)

PERTH

TIM CLIFFORD

17.1% (+5.1%)

STIRLING

TOM WEBSTER

11.7% (+0.8%)

SWAN

SARAH NIELSEN-HARVEY

15.0% (+3.8%)

TANGNEY

THOR KERR

12.4% (+1.4%)

ROBIN CHAPPLE

MEMBER FOR MINING & PASTORAL

Robin Chapple is the current Member of the Legislative Council for the Mining and Pastoral region. His portfolios are in Aboriginal Affairs and Heritage, Defence, Dying with Dignity, Environment, Lands, Local Government, Mining and Petroleum, Nuclear Issues, Ports, Royalties for Regions, State Development and Industry, Tourism (Mining and Pastoral Region), and Waste Management.

Robin campaigns for renewable energy, defending the Kimberly, the return of stolen wages to Aboriginal workers, the protection of remote Aboriginal communities, a container deposit scheme, a World Heritage Listing for Murujuga and its rock art, and voluntary euthanasia.

During the 2016-17 period, he campaigned against amalgamations of local councils, uranium mining, the fossil fuel industry, threats to close remote Aboriginal communities, decisions contributing to climate change, and fracking.

Robin has always had a large focus on rights for Aboriginal peoples. In 2016, Robin introduced the Prevention of Forced Closures of Remote Aboriginal Communities Bill 2016. The bill seeks to build resilience in Aboriginal communities through maintaining strong connections to culture, country and language and will prevent the indirectly/directly forced removal of these communities.

Robin has worked closely with Aboriginal elders, community leaders, and organisations since tabling the first draft, openly taking the welcome feedback on board.

“I want to ensure that Aboriginal people in Western Australia are given an opportunity to comment on the wording, scope and intention of this important piece of legislation.”

Robin has also pushed for a Custody Notification Service (CNS) for Aboriginal people who are taken into custody. Robin seeks to implement the recommendations of the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody.

In response to the Resilient Families, Strong Communities roadmap announced in 2016, Robin pointed out its paternalistic nature and questioned “the level of real consultation that has occurred, given the lack of real solutions contained in this document”. Robin continues his strong relationship with SOS Blak Australia and other organisations, as well as Elders and community representatives.

Environmental protection has been a substantial motivation for many of Robin's campaigns. Robin has sought an investigation into the Yampi Sound baiting trials, which commenced despite the lack of an Environmental Clearance Certificate and threatens the biodiversity of the region.

To protect the environment, recycling must also be promoted. Western Australia has the lowest recycling rates in the country, so waste management must become a priority. A ban on plastic bags succeeded in Parliament on September 12 and commences July 1, 2018. Unfortunately, the full scope of Robin's privately introduced ban on plastics bill will not be fulfilled; this current ban does not prohibit non-biodegradable drinking straws and balloons.

The mining sector has been known for its huge contribution to greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, producing 69Mt of GHGs 2013-14 according to the ABS in 2017. Robin is trying to combat this by focussing on banning fracking, resisting coal and onshore gas development/exploration, protecting national parks from developers, and the rehabilitation of existing mine sites.

Robin is also on the Joint Select Committee on End of Life Choices, which seeks to investigate legislating a voluntary euthanasia option for individuals making end-of-life decisions.

www.robinchapple.com



Left: Robin speaking at the Yule River Bush Meeting in the Pilbara.

Right: Robin presenting at the 'Aboriginal Rights in WA - A Better Future' forum.

TIM CLIFFORD

MEMBER FOR EAST METRO

Wow! It has been a whirlwind few months since my swearing in ceremony in May.

My staff and I have set up our office in Midland, and have been enjoying getting to know the locals and getting involved in local issues, including stopping the McDonalds in Guildford, saving the Guildford Library and saving Midland Oval from inappropriate development.

I've met with many of the local councils and shires within East Metro and I'm looking forward to engaging with more individuals and community groups across the electorate, which spans almost 100km from Bullsbrook in the North to Serpentine in the South.

Some of our current campaigns and areas of focus include pushing the government to support more renewable energy projects, improving infrastructure and subsidies for electric vehicles, securing funding for the WA games industry, democratising planning decisions in WA, and providing adequate housing for our most vulnerable people.

Tim's portfolios: Climate Change & Energy, Transport, Planning, Housing, Heritage, Arts, Police, Emergency Services, Road Safety, Science, ICT, Innovation, East Metropolitan.





Top: Tim fighting for local heritage protection in Guildford.

Top centre: Tim supporting the local City of Swan Library and the campaign to keep it open to the public.

Top right: Visiting the local Midland Men's Shed.

Centre: Tim supporting the local campaign to protect the mature eucalypt trees on Welshpool Road from demolition.

Bottom: The recent community picnic held by Tim's office to support the campaign to 'Save Midland Oval'.



DIANE EVERS

MEMBER FOR SOUTH WEST

What a grand journey this year has been and it's only the beginning!

The South West region is an enormous electorate and I decided to approach the campaign trail as a marathon rather than a sprint so kicked off early in September 2016! In a few short months my ever supportive husband Tony and I racked up a good 10,000 kilometres and met with hundreds of great farmers, business owners, young people, families, community centres, tour operators, surfers and everyone in between to get the message out.

Thanks to the amazing support of Donald Clarke, we launched the campaign in style with a number of localised events focusing on the big ticket items, of anti-fracking, anti-GM, and protecting our native forests as well as really launching into our campaign focus of "Greens Support Farmers". We incorporated the emerging issues of youth, employment and eco-tourism as we went.

We had a huge turnout of Greens supporters at doorknocks in Mandurah, Bunbury and Albany and volunteers at most South West voting booths. I myself spent election day in Albany where my four adult children joined in to help on booths.

Once the results were known, I took a few moments to jump up and hug Tony and let it all sink in before I was plunging myself straight into the work with task number one: To work out what being an MLC actually entails! Tony and I then travelled another 3000km through the region before being sworn in.



A few months down the track now and I am fully into the swing of things! I have thrown strong support behind some very traditional Greens policy including the efforts to protect our native forests from logging with the 'Save Barrabup' campaign. I've met with townsfolk, forestry experts, and even the mill managers in Nannup to develop a way forward for our South West forests and to address the unsustainable practices in the Forest Management Plan.

Working with my newly formed team, we've been broaching some newer territory, developing positions on lithium mining, eco-tourism and sustainable farming initiatives as well as addressing some localised issues around planning approvals, GM crop contamination and dieback management practices. I've also been working strongly to bring my accountancy and financial analytic skills to the table with the 2017/18 State Budget release and the upcoming estimates committee hearings to keep this new government focused on sound, ethical and sustainable management of the State's finances.

It has indeed been a grand journey so far and I am full of excitement and energy for the years to come. If you would like to know more or to speak with me about an issue that matters to you please don't hesitate to get in touch via southwest.evers@mp.wa.gov.au

Diane's portfolios include: South West; Finance; Agriculture & Food; Regional Development; Water; Fisheries & Marine; Jobs & Trade; Sport & Recreation; Small Business; Tourism



Top: Diane attending a 'No Fracking Way' rally.

Top centre: Diane supporting the Close the Gap campaign.

Bottom: Diane speaking at the Save Barrabup Forest rally at the steps of Parliament.



ALISON XAMON

MEMBER FOR NORTH METRO

The past year has certainly been a year in two parts for me; the first spent campaigning alongside a team of wonderful volunteers to win a seat in the Legislative Council – and the second, most fortunately, performing the duties required of a Parliamentarian.

It has been a big start to the term of the 40th Parliament. I have to date introduced two bills; the Criminal Code Amendment (Industrial Manslaughter) Bill 2017, which has been endorsed by Unions WA – and the Electoral Amendment Bill (Access to Ministers). This would ban political parties from granting access to Ministers in return for donations. As you will know, ensuring integrity in government is a theme which runs through the entirety of my Parliamentary work.

I have spoken on a wide range of issues, from the pressing need to protect our remaining urban bushland and the impact of climate change on mental health to the growing problem of workplace casualization, falling TAFE enrolments and potential skills shortages and the importance of properly funding mental health services on the lead up to the Postal Survey on Marriage Equality. I have also begun working closely with North Metro residents on a variety of local issues, including to push for the better planning of East Perth. I have been appointed to Deputy Chair the Select Committee into Elder Abuse and nominated for and accepted a position on the Parliamentary Joint Standing Committee on the Corruption and Crime Commission.

Over the coming year, my team and I will continue to work closely with the disability sector, as we await an announcement on the future of NDIS in WA. I have called for the establishment of a Select Committee to look at alternative approaches to reducing illicit drug use; a motion I looked forward to speaking on. As always, a significant part of my policy work will focus on mental health and suicide prevention, moving forward, particularly in vulnerable people including members of the Aboriginal, LGBTIQ+ and senior communities. I will continue to work closely with my colleague in the Senate Rachel Siewert to ensure a redress scheme for survivors of institutional child sexual abuse is implemented in WA. I will also continue to use the Parliamentary processes to hold the Government to account.

Alison's portfolios include: Health, Mental Health, Disability, Education, Training, Commerce and Industrial Relations, Attorney General, Corrective Services, Electoral Affairs, Public Sector, Community Services, Child Protection, Youth, Seniors and Aging, Volunteering, Women, Family and Domestic Violence, Multicultural, Sexuality and Gender Identity, Veterans Issues, Racing and Gaming



Top: Spokesperson for Sexuality and Gender Diversity Alison attends the Safe Schools rally in Murray Street, Perth, in June.

Middle: Alison gives a media interview following her appearance at the Rohingya Genocide Peaceful Demonstration outside Parliament House on 16 September.

Bottom: Alison will continue to stand with the community against the destruction of little remaining urban bushland. She presented a petition to Parliament on behalf of Bush Not Bricks' Heidi Hardisty and Lyn Jennings in September.

LYNN MACLAREN

FORMER MEMBER FOR SOUTHMETRO

They say much can change in a year and that has absolutely been the case for me. At the beginning of 2016-17, as Member for South Metropolitan Region, I was doing what I did best – being a voice for the voiceless. Along with many community members in South Metro, I was campaigning to save one of our last remaining precious places, the Beeliam wetlands while also ensuring the conversation about Marriage Equality remained in the public psyche.

In Parliament, I was using the mechanisms at my disposal to protect the livelihoods of GM-free farmers by opposing the Barnett Government's Genetically Modified Crops Free Areas Repeal Bill and urging the Government to implement a one-metre distance rule to protect cyclists. I was also preparing to run for re-election. What ensued was a very active campaign, which sadly ended in my losing my seat representing South Metropolitan Region at the election in March.

I have been reflecting on what was achieved during my two terms in Parliament, including helping to develop community campaigns to protect Point Peron from Mangles Bay Marina, save Beeliam Wetlands, protect peaceful protest, stop shark culling, protect numbats in Dryandra, transition freight in Fremantle from road to rail, save urban trees and protect non-GM farmers.

My team and I also worked tirelessly to support campaigns to ban greyhound racing, support Safe Schools, pass Marriage Equality laws, democratise the DAPs, save the dingo, protect Carnaby's cockatoos, oppose breed specific legislation and decrease stocking densities for hens.

I also worked to develop new legislation on coastal planning and protection for climate change adaption and introduced bills for state-based same sex marriage and safe passing distances.

While it was disappointing to lose a Greens voice for South Metro, I will forever remain proud of what has been achieved.

**THANK YOU
LYNN.**



A vibrant collage of diverse people, many wearing green shirts, with a central text overlay. The background is a dense arrangement of various photographs of individuals and groups, mostly in shades of green. Some people are holding signs, and there's a dog in the lower right. The overall theme is community and environmental activism.

STATE ELECTION 2017.

2017 STATE ELECTION CANDIDATES

Our thanks to our wonderful and dedicated candidates...

EAST METRO

TIM CLIFFORD

SOUTH METRO

LYNN MACLAREN

NORTH METRO

ALISON XAMON

SOUTH WEST

DIANE EVERS

AGRICULTURAL

IAN JAMES

MINING & PASTORAL

ROBIN CHAPPLE

ALBANY - DAVID RASTRICK
ARMDALE - ANTHONY PYLE
BALCATT - NICOLE HARVEY
BALDIVIS - CHRISTINE FEGEBANK
BASSENDEAN - SARAH QUINTON
BATEMAN - ADIE WILMOT
BELMONT - BHUWAN KHADKA
BICTON - LOUISE DICKMANN
BUNBURY - MICHAEL BALDOCK
BURNS BEACH - MARK COOPER
CANNINGTON - ELLIOT THOMPSON
CARINE - NADINE REEVES-HENNESSEY
CENTRAL WHEATBELT - AUDREY FOOTE
CHURCHLANDS - JOANNA GURAK
COCKBURN - SHANNON HEWITT
COLLIE-PRESTON - GORDON TAYLER
COTTESLOE - GREG BOLAND
DARLING RANGE - IWAN BOSKAMP

DAWESVILLE - AERON BLUNDELL-CAMDEN
FORRESTFIELD - EUGENE MARSHALL
FREMANTLE - MARTIN SPENCER
GERALDTON - PAUL CONNOLLY
GIRRAWHEEN - MUSHFIQ SHAH
HILLARYS - LOUAHNA LLOYD
JANDAKOT - DORINDA COX
JOONDALUP - LISA WEBB
KALAMUNDA - LEE-ANNE MILES
KALGOORLIE - JACQUELINE SPURLING
KIMBERLEY - LIZ VAUGHN
KINGSLEY - MATTHEW WARD
KWINANA - JODY FREEMAN
MANDURAH - JODIE MOFFAT
MAYLANDS - CAROLINE PERKS
MIDLAND - MATTHEW BIGGS
MIRRABOOKA - RAFEIF ISMAIL
MOORE - PETER LEAM
MORLEY - ANNE-MARIE RICCIARDI
MOUNT LAWLEY - MATT ROBERTS
MURRAY-WELLINGTON - CALLUM BURWOOD
NEDLANDS - DANIEL GROSSO
NORTH WEST - CAROL GREEN
PERTH - HANNAH MILLIGAN
PILBARA - BRENT McKENNA
RIVERTON - THOR KERR
ROCKINGHAM - JAMES MUMME
ROE - SIMONE MCINNES
SCARBOROUGH - JUDITH CULLITY
SOUTH PERTH - MARK BROGAN
SOUTHERN RIVER - TONI PIKOS-SALLIE
SWAN HILLS - EVAN WEBB
THORNIE - DONNA McALEESE
VASSE - LUKE O'CONNELL
VICTORIA PARK - RYAN QUINN
WANNEROO - ROBYN TREACY
WARNBRO - JILLIAN CAIN
WARREN-BLACKWOOD - ANDREW HUNTLEY
WEST SWAN - BETH McMULLAN
WILLAGEE - FELICITY McGEORGE

REPORTS FROM OUR GREENS (WA) WORKING GROUPS▲



ELECTION CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE

Co-Convenors: Nina Jurak (current), Troy Treeby (current), Trish Cowcher (past)

Secretary: Niamh Moran (current), Nina Jurak (past)

Treasurer: Annabelle Newbury

The Election Campaign Committee (ECC) has successfully run our most engaging and exciting state election in recent history. We are so pleased to have been part of the team that doubled our representation in State Parliament; re-electing Robin Chapple to the Mining and Pastoral Region, getting Alison Xamon back in to Parliament in the North Metropolitan Region, and winning back the East Metropolitan and South West Regions, electing Tim Clifford and Diane Evers respectively. In a numbers game that fell not in our favour, it was with great sadness that we lost our long-standing and hard-working colleague, Lynn MacLaren, in the South Metropolitan Region. Thank you Lynn for your untiring efforts representing us in state Parliament for the last 8 years and wish you well in your rewirement! Given this loss of our South Metropolitan, we are more determined than ever to win our seat back at the next State Election in 2021.

Our State election campaign was the largest, people-driven, campaign the Greens (WA) have run in recent history; building our movement across the state from Derby to Albany. ECC offers its congratulations to everyone who contributed their time, money and efforts, seeing such a wonderful result for the Greens (WA). We would love to thank all of our volunteers, candidates and campaign teams for their efforts – you are the reason we achieved the results we did. And to everyone who gave us financial support and helped us achieve our election campaign budget, we could not have done this without you, thank you. No election is possible without all of us coming together – this is certainly what we Greens do best!

The ECC formed for the WA State Election 2017 had its final meeting on Monday 29 May 2017; Trish Cowcher, who had been the ECC Co-Convenor for the past four years passed the baton onto our new ECC team. Trish has worked tirelessly over several federal, state and local government elections and her knowledge and commitment will be greatly missed; we thank you, Trish, for all of your hard work over your time, and know that you will never be too far away.

A new ongoing ECC was formed with the aim to establish and support campaign teams for the Local Government elections in October 2017, and the Federal Election in 2018 or 2019 and maintain continuous campaigning into the future. It is a very exciting time for this year's Local Government elections with Greens (WA) members standing as candidates in local governments across the state. We are also looking forward to the

next Federal Election, which may be as early as August 2018 – please stay tuned as we ramp up for this exciting next election.

The Election Campaign Committee (ECC) is one of the most dynamic and exciting committees of the Greens (WA) and we have the privilege of overseeing all aspects of elections and issues campaigning. Our important work includes developing candidates, training volunteers, managing election budgets, messaging, media and legal responsibilities with the Election Commissions. The current ECC Office Bearers are; Troy Treeby and Nina Jurak - Co-Convenors; Niamh Moran – Secretary; and Annabelle Newbury – Treasurer. It is very encouraging and exciting that there are many new faces as Regional Representatives.



ELECTION RESEARCH WORKING GROUP

by CHILLA BULBECK

Co-Convenors:

Grahame Bowland (current), Chilla Bulbeck (current), Norman Stomski (past)

Members:

Over 20 Greens (WA) members have expressed an interest in being engaged in ERG, a number spreading the word about our work to their Regional Group.

Objectives:

Election Research Group was formed by the Election Campaign Committee in 2014, following a period of time in a more informal incarnation. The purpose of the group is to increase the evidence-base of election campaigning, including field campaign design and messaging and evaluation and thus improvement of our volunteer experience and input during election campaigns. ERG members contribute to the evaluation and interpretation of focus groups and exit polls of voters as well as reviewing and integrating Greens and externally published survey results.

Activities:

The most significant tool developed by ERG is Grahame Bowland's EALGIS maps which map the election outcomes from council ward up to federal senate seats. This allows campaign teams to identify areas most responsive to Greens campaigning. Norman Stomski conducted an analysis of receptivity to the Greens vote based on ABS census data and election results, allowing us to further identify receptive voters.

Following the historically high Greens vote in the 2014 by-election, Shaun Newman and Cadell Eynon developed a two-election strategy which combined a localised lower house targeted campaign with maintenance of our upper house vote in both the 2016 Federal and 2017 State elections.

Over the time Election Research Group has been operating, more members have come to understand and utilise the power of evidence-based campaigning. If you would like to support your Regional or Working Group in using our evidence-based tools, please contact Chilla Bulbeck on chillabulbeck@gmail.com or 0407 165 753



NATIONAL WORKING GROUP

by SHAUN NEWMAN

It's been an eventful year for National Working Group (NWG) with us still trying to find the right rhythm with the monthly National Council cycle, ructions within the federal party room over education legislation, and the loss of two Senators to Section 44 of the Australian Constitution all impacting NWG.

Whilst there have been some improvements this year with the timing of national proposals which has enabled us to get more national proposals to regional groups, there is still work to be done to enable members to have full access to participation in national decision making. And there is the constant friction between National Council confidentiality and the ability of members to access the information required to participate in a decision making.

We started the year with Troy Treeby and Vivienne Glance as WA's State Member and Deputy State Member of National Council. Troy was unfortunately unable to continue in that role and Vivienne Glance was selected as State member and Hannah Milligan was selected as Deputy State Member. Big thanks the Troy, Vivienne, and Hannah. Thanks to the core of NWG members who are always available at short notice to deal with national matters, and thanks also to the 'part-time' members who jump in when they feel they have something positive to contribute.

Some of the key achievements/events/decisions at a national level:

- Giz Watson was elected to her third term as Australian Greens Co-Convenor
- Ratification of the Australian Greens Constitution
- Australian Greens changed from calendar to financial year budgeting with a three-year budget
- Three year Australian Greens budget agreed to (albeit an inadequate budget)
- Three year Australian Greens Strategic and Operational Plans agreed to
- National Campaign Director employed and campaign commenced well before the next federal election
- Greens WA members via NWG played a pivotal role in the eventual resolution to the aforementioned party room ructions
- Commencement of full policy review to be completed prior to the next federal election.

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National Working Group has become more proactive this year with a number of proposals submitted to National Conference and National Council. Thanks to those who contributed to the process of formulating and submitting proposals to National Conference and National Council (it is not a quick or easy process).

Finally I would like to encourage any member who is interested in how the Australian Greens confederation operates at a national level to join the NWG.

Shaun Newman

National Delegate & National Working Group Convenor

NATIONAL COUNCIL REPORT

by vivienne glance

State Member: Vivienne Glance (current), Troy Treeby (past)

Deputy State Member: Hannah Milligan (current), Vivienne Glance (past)

At the National Council meeting following the November 2016 Australian Greens Conference in Perth, the importance of good communication between National Council, Member Bodies and Party Room was stressed. I hope the regular reports back I've given to Reps both in person and written, have informed GWA members on the work of the National Council and its central role in supporting and consulting with the Greens nationally.

One way this broad consultation has taken place was through the development of the Strategic Plan, which was created via numerous surveys, workshops, and feedback opportunities. This comprehensive document will guide the development of the Australian Greens over the next three years, and has informed the Operational Plan (i.e. the day-to-day functions of staff) currently being finalised. Since August 2016, I've been my privileged to work on the Strategic Planning Steering Committee (SPSC), helping to guide this consultation and the drafting of the Strategic and Operational Plans. Australian Greens campaign planning was boosted by the early employment of a Federal Campaign Coordinator in May, WA's very own Andrew Beaton. Alongside this, there's been a concerted effort to update our IT infrastructure, and the employment of Systems Liaison Coordinator, John Tywman, greatly increased our capacity to effect on-going improvements.

NATIONAL COUNCIL REPORT

There have been challenges, such as, the prospect of factions emerging within the Party; the Party Room disagreements about how to negotiate the Education Reform Bill; and the resignation of Senators Scott Ludlam and Larissa Waters, over section 44 of the Australian Constitution, which refers to dual citizenship. Since June this year, these issues have resulted in several Special National Council Meetings in addition to the regular monthly ones. Through these meetings, I've had my faith in consensus decision-making reaffirmed, and been impressed by the generosity and good-temper of fellow Council Members.

A further Special National Council meeting took place in June to try to resolve the Australian Greens operating budget, which was adjusted at the May Conference in Alice Springs. Unfortunately, this resulted in a staff redundancy, and the conversation on how to fund the National Office, staff and national support systems etc. is on-going. Hopefully, the 2017 November Conference budget review will find a way to fund the aspirations of the Australian Greens national membership, as expressed in the Strategic Plan. An adequately funded National Office would help us achieve our aims to grow our Party, better communicate our values and policies, and increase our political influence nationally at all levels of government.

Over the past 2 years, I worked as the Deputy State member to Adam Duncan, Mark Cooper and Troy Treeby, stepping up as acting State Member when they were unavailable. Then in June 2017 I was elected as the State Member, with Hannah Milligan as Deputy.

Despite all I've gained from being involved with Council, I will not re-nominate as WA's State Member at the GWA October AGM. It's been an honour and a privilege to work in these roles on behalf of GWA, and I've valued the experience this has given me. I hope I've meaningfully contributed to the growth and development of both GWA and the Australian Greens over this time. Thank you for your support and trust.

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY WORKING GROUP

by ALAN PERKINS

Co-Convenors: Steve Ebsary & Alan Perkins

Time flies and it has been another busy year. One of our major successes over the last twelve months is the contribution to the overhaul of the National IT systems to a more flexible and efficient platform which will be better able to respond to the needs of the Australian Greens and all member bodies in the years to come. Grahame Bowland was instrumental in bringing this change about. The changes will be finished in time for the gearing up of the next Federal election in the coming months.

The Internet was upgraded in the Office mainly to give better capacity for phone banking. Grahame took on the role of reorganising the Greens WA office network. This separated the Phone bank network from the office network and also the wireless network providing better efficiency, quality of service and reliability.

During the State Campaign, Steve Ebsary was a main contributor in getting the Greens WA website election ready and then maintaining it through the campaign. He got all the candidates information onto the site and looking good. This alone was a massive achievement but there is more! Steve also helped regional groups and candidates solve their IT and social media problems. Steve's voluntary contribution during the State Campaign was outstanding. Steve has also been helping out in the Local Government campaign with various social media issues for candidates.

Peter Condon and Margo Beilby also provided much valued assistance in getting the website election ready with policy updates and providing other assistance where needed. I just hope these volunteers are around and continue to contribute during upcoming campaigns. I think they are amazing!!

The Phone Banking system continues to perform well with minimal maintenance and Grahame has got it all up and running for the Local Government elections and is ready for the Federal campaign. We are just purchasing a couple of monitors to replace one which has had it and give us a couple of spares.

Steve Ebsary and I have been co-convenors for the past 12 months. I have not had much time available but Steve has been awesome in the way he has dealt with many of the issues which came up during the State campaign and at the same time kept me in touch with what was going on. I would also like to acknowledge the valuable role Sophie Greer has played in assisting with making the systems work and assisting volunteers in using the systems.

PRIDE WORKING GROUP

by PATCH MILLER

Co-Convenors: Elliot Sawers and Patch Miller

Secretary: Ryan Quinn

Treasurer: Charlotte Glance

Members: Ozzie Coghlan; Diane Evers; Lynn MacLaren; Matt Price; Matt Roberts; Jordon Steele-John; Troy Treeby; Robyn Walsh; Alison Xamon.

In May of 2017 the Pride Working Group of The Greens (WA) was established, and our first meeting was held in early June. We sincerely thank everyone who supported us in getting started.

Our initial meetings were focussed on early preparations for the Pride Parade float and updates and discussions on the work of state LGBTIQ spokesperson Alison Xamon.

When the Marriage Law Postal Survey was announced in mid-August, a campaign to Vote Yes for marriage equality was pulled together and the Pride Working Group along with Sophie Greer and Georgia Blackburn have been doing much of the organising for this in WA. At the beginning of the campaign, we organised for Greens volunteers to hand out flyers encouraging people to enrol to vote at Perth and Fremantle train stations, and held a Bring It On picnic event to bring volunteers for the campaign together once the High Court dismissed challenges to the postal survey. Weekend doorknocks in Victoria Park, Perth, Maylands, and Fremantle, as well as community phonecalling from the GWA office were organised for the campaign and led by a number of volunteers. For some of the people who participated in these events, it was their first time volunteering with The Greens. We'd like to extend a huge thanks to everyone who was involved in the Choose Love Vote Yes campaign, it was because of your support that we were able to speak to over 1000 people and encourage them to vote yes.

During this time, rainbow Greens t-shirts were ordered and are being sold for the marriage equality campaign, and these will be reused for the pride float. Our social media page "Pride Greens WA" was also launched during the marriage equality campaign and was used to share stories of why people were voting yes, with one of these posts having a reach of over 2000 people on Facebook. Thank you again to everyone who has supported the page and shared our content.

Aside from the postal survey campaigning, the Pride Working Group has been planning our Greens float for the 2017 pride parade at the end of November. We are responding to the theme "Freedom" and representing freedom of the heart, freedom to be, and freedom

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to love. Float materials such as boas, whistles, ribbons, and body glitter have been ordered already, and busy bee workdays to construct the big love heart for the float have been organised for the weekends leading up to the parade. An ad featuring our WA MLCs and Senator will be featured in the PrideFest 2017 brochure, and an after party is being organised for the night of the pride parade. Thank you to our MLCs' and Senator's offices for contributing to our Pride budget.

In the past few months we have also organised a Greens presence at various rallies for marriage equality and in support of the Safe Schools Coalition, and Alison Xamon spoke at a number of these. A Pride Working Group email address and elist have been setup, and we have been in contact with national LGBTIQ spokesperson Janet Rice's office.



Bring It On Picnic held by the Pride Working Group during the recent Marriage Equality campaign
(Credit: Georgia Blackburn)

UNIONS & INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS WORKING GROUP

by Graham Hansen & Hsien Harper

Co-Convenors:

Graham Hansen & Hsien Harper

Members:

Alison Xamon, Luke Edmonds, Sanna Peden, Sebastian Tudor, Andrew Markey, Justin Blanch, Claire McCormick, Alan Green, Lewis Price, Grahame Bowland, Patrick Hyslop and Liz Carbone

We are very pleased to have recently launched the new Greens (WA) Unions and Industrial Relations Working Group.

The Greens (WA) has a proud history of engagement with and support of the union movement, especially in the areas of workers' safety, pay equity, anti-privatisation, collective bargaining, solidarity action, and community organising.

This group will act as a support network for Greens who are active union members to advance progressive politics in their workplaces and unions.

It will also act as a reference group for the state industrial relations portfolio holder, Alison Xamon MLC, as well as feeding into national discussions across the party around issues facing workers.

Union officials, workplace delegates and shop stewards are particularly encouraged to join the working group.

And remember comrades, join your union!



SUPPORTERS WORKING GROUP

by Chilla Bulbeck

Co-Convenors:

Chilla Bulbeck (current), Kim Dravnieks, Caroline Groves (Current), Sebastian Tudor

Members:

Trish Cowcher, Christine Lindsey, Lauren Evans, Jenny Mott, Sophie Greer (ex officio), Giorgia Johnson (ex officio), Caitriona Scully (2015)

The role of the Supporters Working Group (SWG) is to develop and implement a donor centred, ethical and professional donor strategy to maximise donations to GWA to ensure long term, sustainable and predictable donor income, including meeting campaign budget donation income targets.

Activities and initiatives:

The Supporters Working Group is tasked with raising most of the significant donations that support each election campaign as well as the donations that contribute to general budget of GWA. We have reached our donation target in every campaign budget, thanks to amazing generosity from so many members and supporters, making donations large and small according to their capacity.

We host events for donors and potential donors to meet our senators and politicians, including those visiting from interstate. We hosted an event for renewable energy businesspeople with Bob Brown and for health sector professionals with Richard di Natali. An evening of poetry and music at Louise Sparrow's home with Viv Glance's support was an initiative during the 2016 Federal election campaign. We also thank Jen Gardiner and Peter Hawken for hosting a donor social event.

We also ring donors regularly in order to facilitate donations, for example following our letter or email appeals, including those co-ordinated by the national fundraiser, Susan Griffiths-Sussems. Our 2015 Greenscheme join-up telephone drive was organised by Caitriona Scully and supported by 10 volunteers working the phones.

As members' desire for Greens (WA) to appoint more paid professional staff increases, the pressure to find additional funding sources also mounts. The Supporters Working Group is exploring a variety of short-term and long-term options including more tailored and innovative relations with our donors, a more pro-active bequest program, further ways for our members and supporters to provide ongoing support for the Greens (WA), ranging from recurring annual gifts to increasing regular giving through Greenscheme. We are delighted to have two new members with fundraising expertise on our team: Lauren Evans and Christine Lindsey.

SUPPORTERS WORKING GROUP cont.

Although not strictly the role of Supporters Working Group, while GWA lacks a fundraising working group, we are taking some responsibility for fundraising through events. This includes a quiz night later this year organised by Jenny Mott.

As co-convenor, I want to thank Rowena Skinner for support with contact information and system explanation. Thanks to Kim Dravnieks for preparing our donations brochure and our mandates and other documents; to Sebastian Tudor for preparing and updating an excel spreadsheet of relevant information; and Trish Cowcher for reliable advice, timely initiatives and steady support throughout all the years Supporters Working Group has operated.

Supporters Working Group would love to hear from anyone who understands how crucial our work is for GWA's future wants to assist us in meeting our new challenges. Contact Chilla on chillabulbeck@gmail.com or 0407 165 753

FUTURE FUND REPORT

by Mark Siford

The Greens (WA) Future Fund was launched in 2015 by Jo Vallentine on the 30th anniversary since Jo took up her seat in the Senate. As far as we know, Jo Vallentine is the only politician ever elected on an anti-nuclear ticket. Jo subsequently encouraged the formation of the Greens (WA) and became the first Greens senator in Australia.

The objectives of the Future Fund are:

1. Facilitate gifts and bequests from GWA supporters
2. Provide a recurrent revenue stream to GWA
3. In the long term, enable GWA to purchase its own office
4. Ensure the ongoing financial viability of the organisation

All donations to the GWA Future Fund are made through The Greens (WA) and then transferred to the GWA Future Fund Trust and invested on its behalf. All earnings (net of expenses) are transferred annually to The Greens (WA), providing a small but growing addition to our annual income.

The Future Fund Trust is administered by a Board of Directors, currently 4 in number, who are members and meet on a quarterly basis to determine appropriate investments that provide a reasonable return and which conform to the principles and ethos of The Greens (WA).

The Future Fund directors are Mark Siford, Rowena Skinner, Giorgia Johnson and Frank Gardiner, with Philippe Bossert being a former director.

If you have financial, investment and/or administrative experience are interested in becoming a member, please contact Mark Siford on marksiford@gmail.com.

ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER WORKING GROUP

by ARTHUR ROSENWALD

Co-Conveners: Fabian Yarran, Lynn Toomey, Arthur Rosenwald

We only had a small number of meetings during the past year. The main reason being that we are still looking for more active and Aboriginal members. We have some 20 members, 14 of whom are on Loomio.

At some of the meetings Rachel Siewert and Robin Chapple were present to inform and discuss. Some of the topics discussed include:

- Constitutional recognition and what's been happening.
- The repercussions of the SWALSC court judgement on other native title agreements, amongst which the Adani coal mine proposal.
- It appears that the SWALSC deal needs to be voted on again, in any case. Lynn and Fabian will stay in touch with Rachel about this and any new appeals procedure, including who sits on the Tribunal.
- New state government parliament
- Robin Chapple also mentioned that all Bills, introduced during the time of the previous government, will have to be re-introduced. Including Robin's Bill to stop the forced closure of remote communities.
- He also explained that most detailed action, as a result of Acts, is done by regulation. Such as introducing compulsory Aboriginal culture education into all schools, a request by Fabian.
- And only the government can introduce regulation. So we need to lobby government ministers to get such action rolling. This applies to many issues in the new department for Community Services which will include Child Protection and Housing
- Of late we have been developing our ideas on the major structural issues, facing Aboriginal (and other) people, such as fines enforcement practices. This to assist Alison Xamon with her new job in Parliament
- Our focus for 2017-18 must be to get more input from the Noongar people. We still have not worked out a mechanism as to how to do this.

If you would like to get involved in the Greens (WA) Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Action Group, please get in touch with either Fabian, Lynn or Arthur.

WA YOUNG GREENS WORKING GROUP

by ANNE-MARIE RICCIARDI & TOM BOYLE

Co-Convenors:

Anne-Marie Ricciardi (current), Tom Boyle (current), Georgia Blackburn (past), Graham Hansen (past)

State Election 2017 and Door Knocking Trip Down South

The engagement of WA Young Greens was amazing during the 2017 State Election, it is extremely exciting to have so many young people getting active across all parts of the Greens WA. Members participated in many capacities during the election. From standing as candidates, managing campaigns, doorknocks, phone banking, social media engagement and content creation and just being generally excellent humans.

As part of the South West campaign, the Young Greens undertook a road trip to Bunbury, running many campaign activities. This road trip had a great attendance and all participants had an excellent time.

AGM and Appointment of WAYG Office Bearers

On the 27th August WAYG held their AGM and selected new office bearers:

Co-Convenors: Tom Boyle and Anne-Marie Ricciardi

Treasurer: Sebastian Tudor

Australian Young Greens Delegates: Justin Blanch and Betheney A'Vard

Engagement Officers: Katherine Neaves and Jesse Hutchinson

Secretary: Currently unfilled, Patch Miller has agreed to continue the role until we can find a new secretary.

All members of WAYG express their sincere thanks and appreciation for all of the hard work undertaken by the previous office bearers of WAYG.



WA YOUNG GREENS cont.

AYG Conference 2018

Planning has started for the 2018 AYG Conference, which will be held in WA from the 12th – 15th January. The theme of the conference is ‘Secede to Succeed: a Radical Break from Regular Politics’ and will be held at the GWA Office.

There will be a selection of workshops, keynotes and social events over the weekend and an optional Rottneest trip on the Monday for those interested.

WAYG are working with the full and earnest support of GWA to ensure that the planning and consequent facilitation of this conference results in an exciting and engaging event for all young members of the Greens across Australia.



AUDITED FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS▲



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18 October 2017

The Representatives' Council
The Greens (WA) Incorporated
Office 1, 440 William Street
PERTH WA 6000

Dear Sirs

THE GREENS (WA) INCORPORATED

We wish to advise that we have recently completed the audit of the above mentioned entity for the year ended 30 June 2017.

The Australian Auditing Standards require auditors to communicate with management and those charged with governance in relation to any matters noted during the course of the audit.

We advise that we have not encountered any significant matters during the course of our audit however we did note a couple of issues that we believe should be brought to your attention as detailed below.

Our audit work involves the review of only those systems and controls adopted by management upon which we wish to rely for the purposes of determining our audit procedures. Furthermore, our audit should not be relied upon to disclose defalcations or other similar irregularities, although their disclosure, if they exist, may well result from the audit tests we undertake. While we have considered the control environment in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, we have not tested controls and hence do not comment on whether systems and controls are operating effectively.

Changes to financial reporting

The Associations Incorporation Act 1987 has been repealed and replaced by the Associations Incorporation Act 2015 ("the Act") which was effective as of 1 July 2016.

The Act classifies organisations into three tiers based on revenue.

With revenue over \$250,000, The Greens (WA) Incorporated will be a medium (tier 2) entity and may become a large (tier 3) entity in election years.

As either a medium or large organisation, the Association will be required to prepare future annual financial reports on the accruals basis.

Upcoming changes in the accounting standards

As you may be aware, the Australian Accounting Standards Board has issued new accounting standards which may have an impact on the financial results of the Association.

The four standards most likely to impact The Greens (WA) Incorporated are as follows:

- AASB 9 Financial Instruments;
- AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers;
- AASB 16 Leases; and
- AASB 1058 Income for Not-For-Profit Entities.

Financial Instruments

The impact of AASB 9 will be minimal as this standard enables an organisation to determine how investments and other financial instruments are to be accounted for on an investment by investment basis. As the Association sold its existing holding of listed shares there will be no requirement to change amounts previously recorded. However, any future purchase or gift of listed shares should be accounted for under the new standard.

Leases

AASB 16 will have the impact of requiring the Association to recognise long term operating leases as if they were finance leases. The statement of financial position will therefore include assets and liabilities in relation to these leases.

The standard will be effective in the year ending 30 June 2020 and, leading up to the introduction of this standard, the Association will need to review any lease agreements, such as the current lease for the offices at William Street, and determine the value of the asset and liability to be recognised in the accounting system as at 1 July 2019.

Revenue from Contracts with Customers and Income for Not-For-Profit Entities

In terms of changes to the accounting treatment of revenue received, both AASB 15 and AASB 1058 may be applicable to the Association.

Where the Association receives funding under a transaction which involves the satisfaction of specific performance obligations under a contract then the revenue will be accounted for under AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers.

However, where the Association receives funding or another benefit at a value which is significantly less than the fair value of the asset or services acquired then the benefit to the Association will have to be accounted for under AASB 1058.

The impact of the standard is to account for “in kind” contributions to the activities of the organisation, such as volunteer services and non-monetary donations, to ensure that the financial statements reflect the full scale of the Association’s activity for the year.

The effective date of both AASB 15 and AASB 1058 is also 1 January 2019.

Although this appears to be some time away, the Association will need to be able to provide comparative information for income and expenses in the June 2020 accounts and hence will need to assess the impact of these standards before 1 July 2018.

Segregation of duties

Due to the size of the Association there is limited scope for segregation of duties within the general financial administrative process.

While we accept that this is inherent in the nature of the organisation we recommend that this should be continually considered by the Representatives' Council in designing compensating controls.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully
BUTLER SETTINERI (AUDIT) PTY LTD

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'L Gardner', is positioned above the printed name.

LUCY P GARDNER
Director

The Greens (WA) Incorporated

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General information

The financial report covers The Greens (WA) Incorporated ('Association') as an individual entity. The financial report is presented in Australian dollars, which is the Associations' functional and presentation currency.

The financial report consists of the financial statements and the notes to the financial statements.

The financial report was authorised for issue by the Co-Covenor and Treasurer on 17 October 2017.

**The Greens (WA) Incorporated
Representatives' Council Declaration
30 June 2017**

The Representatives' Council has determined that the Association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies described in note 1 to the financial statements.

The Representatives' Council of the Association declares that:

- (a) the financial statements and notes as set out on pages 5 to 16 present fairly the Association's financial position as at 30 June 2017 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with the accounting policies described in note 1 to the financial statements,
- (b) in the Representatives' Council' opinion, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the State Executive.



Grahame Bowland
Co-Convenor



Georgia Johnson
Treasurer

17 October 2017
Perth

AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION

To the Representatives' Council of The Greens (WA) Incorporated

In accordance with the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act 2015 (WA), in relation to our audit of the financial report of The Greens (WA) Incorporated for the year ended 30 June 2017 to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

- a) No contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of section 80 the Associations Incorporation Act 2015 (WA) in relation to the audit; and
- b) No contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit

BUTLER SETTINERI (AUDIT) PTY LTD



LUCY P GARDNER
Director

Perth

Date: 17 October 2017

The Greens (WA) Incorporated
Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income
For the year ended 30 June 2017

		2017	Restated 2016
		\$	\$
Operating income			
Green scheme		103,977	107,756
Donations		39,494	64,865
Investment income		19,600	40,508
Membership fees		37,967	43,293
Parliamentary levies		49,210	49,646
Other income		18,935	31,122
Total operating income	2	269,183	337,190
Operating expenses			
Employee expenses		(104,975)	(61,626)
Office expenses		(75,915)	(69,072)
Regional group expenses		(53,704)	(41,555)
Australian Greens Levy		(36,624)	(24,869)
Travel		(20,200)	(13,091)
Other expenses		(86,760)	(91,226)
Total operating expenses	3	(378,178)	(301,439)
Total operating (loss) / surplus		(108,995)	35,751
Election income			
Federal election accounts		848,393	543,064
State election accounts		716,718	-
Upper house SECC groups		28,187	3,000
Total election income	4	1,593,298	546,064
Election expenses			
Federal election accounts		-	(1,163,360)
State election accounts		(884,395)	-
Upper house SECC groups		(50,285)	-
Total election expenses	5	(934,680)	(1,163,360)
Total election surplus / (loss)		658,618	(617,296)
Surplus / (loss) before income tax expense		549,623	(581,545)
Income tax expense		-	-
Surplus / (loss) after income tax expense for the year attributable to the members of The Greens (WA) Incorporated		549,623	(581,545)
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax		-	-
Total comprehensive income / (loss) for the year attributable to the members of The Greens (WA) Incorporated		549,623	(581,545)

The statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes to these financial statements.

The Greens (WA) Incorporated
Statement of financial position
As at 30 June 2017

	Note	2017 \$	Restated 2016 \$
Assets			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	6	791,994	878,897
Trade and other receivables	7	55,416	20,301
Total current assets		<u>847,410</u>	<u>899,198</u>
Non-current assets			
Trade and other receivables	7	17,731	17,731
Plant and equipment	8	35,723	42,014
Total non-current assets		<u>53,454</u>	<u>59,745</u>
Total assets		<u>900,864</u>	<u>958,943</u>
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	9	209,984	772,888
Provisions	10	24,846	24,644
Loans	11	-	45,000
Total current liabilities		<u>234,830</u>	<u>842,532</u>
Total liabilities		<u>234,830</u>	<u>842,532</u>
Net assets		<u>666,034</u>	<u>116,411</u>
Equity			
Retained earnings	12	666,034	116,411
Total equity		<u>666,034</u>	<u>116,411</u>

The statement of financial position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes to these financial statements.

The Greens (WA) Incorporated
Statement of changes in equity
For the year ended 30 June 2017

	Retained surpluses	Total equity
	\$	\$
Balance at 1 July 2016 - restated	116,411	116,411
Surplus/ (loss) after income tax expense for the year	549,623	549,623
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total comprehensive income for the year	<u>549,623</u>	<u>549,623</u>
Balance at 30 June 2017	<u><u>666,034</u></u>	<u><u>666,034</u></u>

No comparative information has been presented as this is the first year that the Association has been required to present a statement of changes in equity.

The statement of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes to these financial statements.

The Greens (WA) Incorporated
Statement of cash flows
For the year ended 30 June 2017

	Note	2017 \$
Cash flows from operating activities		
Membership and other receipts		1,827,826
Payments to suppliers and employees		(1,873,517)
Interest received		<u>3,788</u>
Net cash (used in) / from operating activities	16b	(41,903)
Cash flows from investing activities		
Payment for purchase of property plant & equipment		<u>-</u>
Net cash (used in) / from investing activities		-
Cash flows from financing activities		
Receipt / (payment) of election campaign loan		<u>(45,000)</u>
Net cash (used in) / from financing activities		(45,000)
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents		(86,903)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		<u>878,897</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year	16a	<u><u>791,994</u></u>

No comparative information has been presented as this is the first year that the Association has been required to present a statement of cash flows.

The statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes to these financial statements.

The Greens (WA) Incorporated
Notes to the financial statements
For the year ended 30 June 2017

Note 1. Significant accounting policies

The Greens (WA) Incorporated is an Association incorporated and domiciled in Australia. Its registered office and principal place of business is located on Level 1, 440 William Street, Perth Western Australia 6000. The principal activity of The Greens (WA) is to have an expansive vision that challenges the narrow economic focus of the major Australian political parties. The four interconnecting pillars of social justice, ecological sustainability, peace and nonviolence, and participatory democracy are the primary objectives of The Greens (WA).

The Association is a not-for-profit entity for the purpose of preparing the financial statements. This financial report covers The Greens (WA) Incorporated as an individual entity.

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

Basis of preparation

In the Representatives' Councils' opinion, the Association is not a reporting entity because there are no users dependent on special purpose financial statements.

The special purpose financial report has been prepared in order to satisfy the reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act 2015 (WA) and the needs of the members of The Greens (WA) Incorporated under the Act.

The Financial Report has been prepared in accordance with the disclosure requirements of the following Australian Accounting Standards:

- AASB 101 - Presentation of Financial Statements
- AASB 107 - Statement of Cash Flows
- AASB 108 - Accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates & errors
- AASB 1048 - Interpretation of standards
- AASB 1054 - Australian additional disclosures

Change in basis of preparation

The above standards have been applied for the first time in the current year as a result of the Association being classified as a Tier 2 Association under the Act.

Similarly, the basis of the preparation of the financial report has changed from the cash basis to the accrual basis. This has resulted in the restatement of the comparative information which has been detailed further in note 18 to the financial statements.

Historical cost convention

The financial report, except for the cash flow information, has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historic costs unless stated otherwise in the notes and does not take into account changing money values or, except where stated specifically, current valuations of non-current assets.

Critical accounting estimates

The preparation of the financial statements requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Association's accounting policies. There are no areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements.

New accounting standards

Certain new accounting standards and interpretations have been published that are not mandatory for 30 June 2017 reporting periods. The Association has reviewed these new pronouncements and has determined that there will be no early adoption by the Association. The Association's assessment is that there will be minimal impact on the amounts recognised in the financial report.

The Greens (WA) Incorporated
Notes to the financial statements
For the year ended 30 June 2017

Note 2. Operating income

	2017	2016
	\$	\$
<u>Green scheme</u>		
- GWA	88,565	91,904
- Regional groups	15,412	15,852
	<u>103,977</u>	<u>107,756</u>
<u>Donations</u>		
- GWA	37,943	25,075
- Regional groups	1,551	29,790
- National	-	10,000
	<u>39,494</u>	<u>64,865</u>
<u>Investment income</u>		
- Interest	19,600	40,508
<u>Membership fees</u>		
- GWA	32,270	36,796
- Regional groups	5,697	6,497
	<u>37,967</u>	<u>43,293</u>
Parliamentary levies	49,210	49,646
<u>Other income</u>		
- Regional group fundraising	6,004	16,488
- State conference	-	9,961
- Events fundraising	4,937	4,282
- Lease – Carbay	2,788	-
- National council registrations	1,496	-
- Travel rebate	917	-
- Online shop	753	272
- Sundry	40	101
- Members	-	18
- Local Government	2,000	-
	<u>18,935</u>	<u>31,122</u>
Total operating income	<u><u>269,183</u></u>	<u><u>337,190</u></u>

Note 3. Operating expenses

<u>Employee expenses</u>		
- Salaries	87,102	50,899
- Superannuation	9,210	5,086
- Accruals	6,815	4,457
- Workers compensation insurance	1,848	1,184
	<u>104,975</u>	<u>61,626</u>
<u>Office expenses</u>		
- Electricity	5,278	3,374
- Rent	48,068	41,013
- Outgoings	22,569	20,977
- Rates & taxes	-	3,708
	<u>75,915</u>	<u>69,072</u>
Regional group expenses	53,704	41,555

The Greens (WA) Incorporated
Notes to the financial statements
For the year ended 30 June 2017
Note 1. Significant accounting policies (continued)

Revenue recognition

Revenue is recognised when it is probable that the economic benefit will flow to the incorporated association and the revenue can be reliably measured. Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions, other short-term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

Trade and other receivables

Other receivables are recognised at amortised cost, less any provision for impairment.

Plant and equipment

Plant and equipment is stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items.

Depreciation is calculated using the two methods of diminishing value and straight-line basis to write off the net cost of each item of plant and equipment (excluding land) over their expected useful lives as follows:

Plant and equipment	3-7 years
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The residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each reporting date.

An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when there is no future economic benefit to the Association. Gains and losses between the carrying amount and the disposal proceeds are taken to profit or loss.

Trade and other payables

These amounts represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the incorporated association prior to the end of the financial year and which are unpaid. Due to their short-term nature they are measured at amortised cost and are not discounted. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition.

Goods and Services Tax ('GST') and other similar taxes

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of associated GST, unless the GST incurred is not recoverable from the tax authority. In this case it is recognised as part of the cost of the acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the tax authority is included in other receivables or other payables in the statement of financial position.

Commitments and contingencies are disclosed net of the amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the tax authority.

The Greens (WA) Incorporated
Notes to the financial statements
For the year ended 30 June 2017

Note 3. Operating expenses (continued)

	2017	2016
	\$	\$
Australian Greens levy	36,624	24,869
Travel	20,200	13,091
<u>Other expenses</u>		
- Accountants fees	9,222	3,550
- Advertising & marketing	687	275
- Audit fees	6,650	4,766
- Australian Greens National Council	2,114	1,177
- Bank charges – general	2,119	1,969
- Bank charges – credit card	3,219	3,754
- Cleaning	1,563	-
- Depreciation	5,549	4,867
- Developing Parties Assistance	7,205	2,116
- Insurance	3,594	2,831
- Internet & telephone	4,602	2,418
- IT Support	7,865	9,959
- Local Government campaign	-	8,483
- Loss on sale of non-current assets	742	-
- Meetings – general	1,886	1,737
- Merchandise	7,710	1,720
- Photocopying	1,316	1,385
- Postage & freight	3,535	3,504
- Pride	909	636
- Printing & publications	1,682	4,464
- Repairs & maintenance	1,187	1,198
- State conference	-	9,529
- Stationery	1,286	2,916
- Storage	3,010	3,000
- Sundry expenses	5,193	7,158
- Telephone	583	2,449
- Working group support	1,223	5,365
- Young Greens	2,109	-
	<u>86,760</u>	<u>91,226</u>
Total operating expenses	<u><u>378,178</u></u>	<u><u>301,439</u></u>

Note 4. Election income

Federal election accounts

- Australian Electoral Commission	830,121	12,885
- Donations	1,841	423,288
- Donations – Appeals	16,349	79,757
- Fundraising	82	27,089
- FECC Group – Curtin	-	45
	<u>848,393</u>	<u>543,064</u>

State election accounts

- WA Electoral Commission	454,622	-
- Donations	249,465	-
- Fundraising	12,631	-
	<u>716,718</u>	<u>-</u>

The Greens (WA) Incorporated
Notes to the financial statements
For the year ended 30 June 2017

Note 4. Election income (continued)

	2017	2016
	\$	\$
<u>Upper house SECC groups</u>		
- S Metro SECC	5,090	3,000
- N Metro SECC	6,000	-
- E Metro SECC	9,090	-
- S W SECC	5,760	-
- Agri SECC	1,500	-
- M & P SECC	747	-
	<u>28,187</u>	<u>3,000</u>
Total election income	<u><u>1,593,298</u></u>	<u><u>546,064</u></u>

Note 5. Election expenses

Federal election expenses

- Advertising and media	-	758,079
- Australian Greens levy	-	120,318
- Candidate travel and expenses	-	28,657
- Employee expenses	-	148,876
- Fundraising	-	37,800
- National campaign contribution	-	48,658
- Other costs	-	20,972
	<u>-</u>	<u>1,163,360</u>

State election expenses

- Advertising and media	519,314	-
- Australian Greens levy	61,814	-
- Employee expenses	185,987	-
- Fundraising	11,395	-
- Other costs	41,066	-
- Polling	64,819	-
	<u>884,395</u>	<u>-</u>

Upper house SECC groups expenses

- Disbursements Upper House groups	11,078	-
- S Metro SECC	8,090	-
- N Metro SECC	8,002	-
- E Metro SECC	9,090	-
- S W SECC	7,220	-
- Agri SECC	4,500	-
- M & P SECC	2,305	-
	<u>50,285</u>	<u>-</u>

Total election expenses

934,680 1,163,360

Note 6. Cash and cash equivalents

General cheque account	72,194	243,177
Undeposited funds	2,605	-
Petty cash	100	100
Online business saver	226,447	144,972
Term deposit – P&N #1	166,315	166,315
Term deposit – P&N #2	324,333	324,333
	<u><u>791,994</u></u>	<u><u>878,897</u></u>

The Greens (WA) Incorporated
Notes to the financial statements
For the year ended 30 June 2017

Note 7. Trade and other receivables

	2017	2016
	\$	\$
Current		
Accrued interest	15,812	-
GST paid	38,669	19,826
Prepayments	935	475
	<u>55,416</u>	<u>20,301</u>
Non current		
Rental bond	<u>17,731</u>	<u>17,731</u>

Note 8. Plant and equipment

Plant and equipment – at cost	61,790	75,537
Less: accumulated depreciation	<u>(26,067)</u>	<u>(33,523)</u>
	<u>35,723</u>	<u>42,014</u>

Note 9. Trade and other payables

Trade Payable	16,810	740,037
Australian Greens Levy	172,425	10
Global Greens	188	-
GWA Future Fund	5,000	-
GST payable	2,741	5,030
PAYG withholding payable	9,713	20,743
Superannuation payable	3,107	7,068
	<u>209,984</u>	<u>772,888</u>

Note 10. Provisions

Annual leave	15,893	16,952
Long service leave	8,953	7,692
	<u>24,846</u>	<u>24,644</u>

Note 11. Loans

Loan – election campaign	<u>-</u>	<u>45,000</u>
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Note 12. Equity

Retained surplus at the start of the financial year	116,411	697,956
Loss for the year after income tax expense	549,623	(581,545)
Transfer to Greens' Future Fund	-	-
Transfer from reserves	-	-
Retained surplus at the end of the financial year	<u>666,034</u>	<u>116,411</u>

The Greens (WA) Incorporated
Notes to the financial statements
For the year ended 30 June 2017

Note 13. Contingent assets and liabilities

The Association had no contingent assets and liabilities as at 30 June 2017.

Note 14. Commitments

The Association had no capital or other expenditure commitments as at 30 June 2017 and 30 June 2016.

Note 15. Events after the reporting period

No matter or circumstance has arisen since 30 June 2017 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect the Association's operations, the results of those operations, or the Association's state of affairs in future financial years.

Note 16. Cash flow information

(a) Reconciliation of cash

For the purpose of the cash flow statement, cash includes cash and cash equivalents. Cash at the end of the reporting year is reconciled to the related items in the statement of financial position as follows:

	\$
Cash in hand and at bank	<u>791,994</u>

(b) Reconciliation of cash flow from operations with net surplus for the year

Net surplus for the year	549,623
Non-cash flows in net loss:	
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	5,549
Loss on sale of property, plant and equipment	742
Change in operating assets and liabilities:	
Decrease/(increase) in trade and other receivables	(35,115)
(Decrease) / Increase in provisions	202
(Decrease) / Increase in trade and other payables	<u>(562,904)</u>
Cash flows from operations	<u><u>(41,903)</u></u>

Note 17. Capital Risk Management

The Association's objective is to manage working capital so as to ensure that liabilities can be settled as and when they fall due.

Note 18. Change in basis of accounting

Election income and expenditure was reported in the 2016 financial statements on a cash basis.

Under the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act 2015 (WA), the Association is required to adopt the accrual basis of accounting and restate comparative information to the extent practicable.

With the Federal Election falling on 2nd July 2016, all the expenditure relating to that election has been accounted for as accrued as at 30 June 2016.

The impact on the information presented in this financial report is as follows:

Note 18. Change in basis of accounting (continued)

Impact on the Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income

	Previously reported \$	Adjustments \$	Restated comparative \$
Operating income	350,089	(12,899)	337,190
Election income	533,166	12,898	546,064
Operating expenses	(312,300)	10,861	(301,439)
Election expenses	(412,463)	(750,897)	(1,163,360)
Net surplus for the year	158,492	(740,037)	(581,545)

Impact on the statement of financial position

Cash and cash equivalents	897,103	(18,206)	878,897
Trade and other receivables	19,826	475	20,301
Non-current assets	42,014	17,731	59,745
Trade and other payables	(32,851)	(740,037)	(772,888)
Provisions	(24,644)	-	(24,644)
Loans	(45,000)	-	(45,000)
Net assets	856,448	(740,037)	116,411
Retained earnings brought forward	697,956	-	697,956
Surplus for the year	158,492	(740,037)	(581,545)
Retained earnings carried forward	856,448	(740,037)	116,411

Other adjustments reflected above include reclassifying the rental bond in relation to the Association's office premises from being reported as a cash balance to a non-current receivable.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE GREENS (WA) INCORPORATED

Report on the Financial Report

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of The Greens (WA) Incorporated ("the Association"), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2017 and the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the Representatives' Council's declaration.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of The Greens (WA) Incorporated is prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act 2015 (WA), including:

- i) giving a true and fair view of the Association's financial position as at 30 June 2017 and of its financial performance for the year then ended; and
- ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards to the extent described in note 1.

Basis for Opinion

We have 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 Association in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act 2015 (WA) and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our ethical requirements in accordance 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 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the Representatives' Council's financial reporting responsibilities under the Associations Incorporation Act 2015 (WA). As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Representatives' Council's responsibilities for the Financial Report

The Representatives' Council of the Association is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and has determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 to the financial report is appropriate to meet the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act 2015 (WA) and the needs of the members.

The Representatives' Council's responsibility also includes such internal control as the Representatives' Council determines is 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 financial report, the Representatives' Council is responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Representatives' Council either intends to liquidate the Association or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities 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 influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australia Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Representatives' Council.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Representatives' Council's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Association to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Representatives' Council regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide the Representatives' Council with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

In our opinion, The Greens (WA) Incorporated has complied with section 82(1)(b), (c) and (d) of the Associations Incorporation Act 2015 (WA) :

- by providing us with all information, explanation and assistance necessary for the conduct of the audit;
- by keeping financial records sufficient to enable a financial report to be prepared and audited; and
- by keeping other records required by Part 5 of the Associations Incorporation Act 2015 (WA), including those records required by Section 66 that correctly record its operations, so as to enable true and fair financial statements to be prepared.

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LUCY P GARDNER
Director

Perth

Date: 17 October 2017

2017 GREENS (WA) FUTURE FUND REPORT▲



THE GREENS (WA) FUTURE FUND TRUST

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

THE GREENS (WA) FUTURE FUND TRUST

DIRECTORS' STATEMENT

We have examined the financial records, cash book and supporting documentation of The Greens (WA) Future Fund Trust for the year to 30 June 2017. We have concluded that the records have been maintained in accordance with recognized accounting principles and that all transactions were correctly recorded on a timely and accurate basis.

In our view, the financial position of the Future Fund Trust at 30 June 2017 is appropriately reflected in the financial statements. We should state, however, that our review does not constitute a full-scale external audit of the financial affairs of the Future Fund.



Director MARK SIFORD

Date: 28/7/2017



Director Rowena SKINNER

Date: 28.7.2017

THE GREENS (WA) FUTURE FUND TRUST

PROFIT & LOSS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

	2017	2016
Revenue	\$	\$
Interest received	2,976	3,618
Dividends received	2,805	-
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	5,781	3,618
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Expenses		
Audit fee	-	1,925
ASIC fee	249	321
Bank charges	10	28
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	259	2,274
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Profit	5,522	1,344
Transfer owing to beneficiary: The Greens (WA)¹	5,522	1,344

Notes

1 The 2017 transfer has an attached franking credit benefit of \$1,085.40

2 There is a carried forward capital loss to the Greens (WA) from the Telstra buyback of \$2,031.10

3 No donations were received during FY17

THE GREENS (WA) FUTURE FUND TRUST

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30 JUNE 2017

	2017	2016
Assets	\$	\$
Bank accounts		
Police & Nurses HiSaver account	8,920	48,023
CommSec portfolio cash balance	5,050	509
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	13,970	48,532
	-----	-----
Investments		
Police & Nurses term deposit	60,000	60,000
Bonds	20,485	21,250
Friends of Oxfam interest bearing loan	5,000	5,000
ASX listed shares	36,611	-
Enova Energy shares	5,000	5,000
ASX ETF Gold	5,224	5,746
ASX ETF USD	4,561	4,738
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	136,882	101,734
	-----	-----
Total assets	150,852	150,266
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Liabilities		
Funds held on behalf of the Greens Future Fund	150,852	150,266
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Total liabilities	150,852	150,266
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Net assets	-	-
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THE GREENS (WA) FUTURE FUND TRUST

DIRECTORS REPORT 30 JUNE 2017

BACKGROUND & PURPOSE

The Greens (WA) Future Fund was launched in 2015 with the following objectives:

1. Facilitate gifts and bequests from GWA supporters
 2. Provide a recurrent revenue stream to GWA
 3. In the long term, enable GWA to purchase its own office
 4. Ensure the ongoing financial viability of the organisation i.e. in exceptional circumstances act a safeguard to keep GWA financially afloat
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- All donations to the GWA Future Fund are made through The Greens (WA) and then transferred to the GWA Future Fund Trust and invested on its behalf. All earnings (net of expenses) are transferred annually to The Greens (WA).
 - The Future Fund Trust is administered by a Board of Directors, currently 4 in number, who are members of The Greens (WA).
 - The Directors meet on a regular (usually quarterly) basis to determine appropriate investments and ensure that the Fund complies with all relevant regulations.
 - The Board attempts to identify investments that provide a reasonable rate of return for funds invested and which conform to the principles and ethos of The Greens (WA).
 - The financial statements have been prepared on a cash basis at 30 June 2017. Therefore, they do not include interest accrued on certain investments up to that date.
 - The profit derived by the Future Fund each year is transferred to the Greens (WA) early in the subsequent financial year.
 - After an expensive audit of the Future Fund in 2015 the Directors resolved that the Future Fund financials should not be externally audited in future years. Instead, these notes are designed to provide adequate transparency, supplemented by copies of worksheets and bank statements, which follow the financial statements. A file of all the documents is held at the Greens (WA) office and is open to Greens (WA) members.

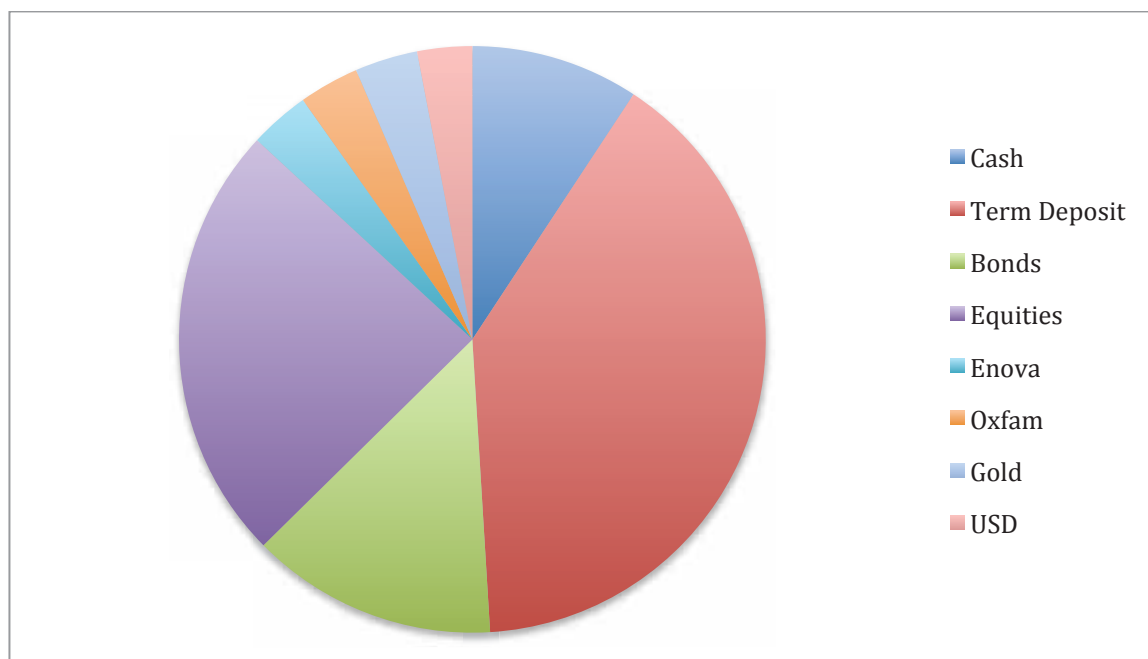
BANK/INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

- Any donations transferred from the Greens (WA) to the GWA Future Fund are initially held in a HiSaver account at the P&N Bank. Monthly interest is received on the balance in the HiSaver account.
- Investments have been made directly or through the Commonwealth Securities brokerage account (ComSec) and a small cash balance is retained in that account at 30 June 2017. Dividends and bond interest are credited to this account.

INVESTMENT REPORT

- The Directors of the GWA Future Fund (hereafter “the Fund”) are pleased to report that a transfer of \$5,521.71 will be made to The Greens (WA) early in FY18.
- Due to Australia’s dividend imputation system the transfer also has a franking credit of \$1,085.40 attached, which will be received by The Greens (WA) from the ATO upon the conclusion of their tax return, effectively this is a total transfer of \$6,607.11.
- The Fund also has an unrecognised capital gain of \$1,012 showing on existing investments at the end of FY17, a gain of about 1%. Including the unrecognised gain the return on the Fund’s investments is over 5%.
- The Directors note that due to the Fund’s conservative weightings and zero exposure to banks, fossil fuel and mining companies it is likely to outperform the ASX All Ordinaries Index during times of ASX market weakness.

FIGURE 1 GWA FUTURE FUND FY17 INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO



INVESTMENT NOTES

- The Fund remains overweight cash through its large term deposit held at P&N Bank. As noted in previous reports the Directors believe that this weighting will correct naturally over time as donations continue and other investments grow.
- After taking into account the need to distribute \$5,521.71 back to The Greens (WA) the Fund is close to fully invested with a cash balance post distribution of \$8,448.
- The Fund purchased 10 ASX listed entities during FY17. Due to ethical guidelines the Fund’s investments are concentrated amongst food, health and technology related names. The companies include Ansell, Bega

Cheese, Breville Group, Cochlear, Computershare, CSL, Capilano Honey, Select Harvest, Sirtex Medical and Telstra.

- The most significant change to investments occurred with participation in the Telstra share buyback, which had considerable tax advantages. The buyback was conducted at \$4.43 per share, which compares favourably to the Telstra share price at year end of \$4.30. All of the Fund's 730 shares were bought back by the company resulting in a large franked dividend of \$1,934.50. The buyback also resulted in a deemed capital loss of \$2,031.10. That loss is carried forward such that any future capital gains from the Fund will be netted off before being taxable.
- The Directors continue to search for transformative investments that also meet investment criteria.

FIGURE 2 GWA FUTURE FUND PORTFOLIO AT YEAR END 30TH JUNE 2017

Type	Name	Code	% Portfolio	Value	Cost	% Chge	Income FY17
Bonds	Ausgov Treasury Bond	GSBG25	3.5	5,267	4,946	6	159.26
Bonds	Ausgov Treasury Bond	GSBG33	3.6	5,395	4,983	8	198.00
Bonds	Ausgov Treasury Bond	GSBI21	3.2	4,829	4,967	-3	241.50
Bonds	Ausgov Treasury Indexed Bond	GSIQ25	3.3	4,994	4,946	1	123.67
Bonds	Oxfam	n/a	3.3	5,000	5,000	0	0.00
Cash	P&N Term Deposit 5 year	n/a	39.8	60,000	60,000	0	2,010.00
Cash	P&N	n/a	5.9	8,920	8,920	n/a	240.34
Cash	Commonwealth Bank	n/a	3.3	5,051	5,051	n/a	3.33
Currency	USD Betashares	USD	3.0	4,561	5,010	-9	3.69
Equities	Ansell	ANN	2.7	4,082	4,011	2	98.54
Equities	Bega Cheese	BGA	2.8	4,166	4,011	4	64.00
Equities	Breville Group	BRG	3.5	5,225	4,012	30	147.50
Equities	Cochlear	COH	3.0	4,508	3,969	14	72.50
Equities	Computershare	CPU	3.7	5,585	3,996	40	67.15
Equities	Commonwealth Serum Laboratories	CSL	3.3	4,969	4,041	23	62.08
Equities	Capilano Honey	CZZ	2.1	3,154	4,008	-21	0.00
Equities	Select Harvest	SHV	1.9	2,842	3,991	-29	203.00
Equities	Sirtex Medical	SRX	1.4	2,080	3,998	-48	38.40
Other	Enova	n/a	3.3	5,000	5,000	0	0.00
Other	Gold ASX	GOLD	3.5	5,224	4,981	5	0.00
	Sold - Telstra through buyback		0.0	1,299	4,002		2,047.65
							5,780.61

DONATIONS

- No donations were received by the Fund in FY17.
- The Directors understand that a bequest of \$5,000 may be received in the FY18 period.

EXPENSES

- The Fund minimises expenses by meeting at the Greens (WA) office.
- Directors are unpaid.
- FY17 expenses of \$259 include the ASIC fee for the trustee company of \$249 and bank charges of \$10.

PURPOSE #3 OFFICE

- The Directors note that the Perth office market has changed radically since the Fund was established with high vacancy rates reported in the Perth CBD (above 20%).
- The Directors would anticipate that prices for office space would accordingly fall in future years, making the goal of purchasing an office for The Greens (WA) more achievable.

ACCOMPANYING NOTES

1. Dividend Franking Credit Calculation
2. Capital Loss Carried Forward Calculation
3. Cashbook Analysis

1. DIVIDEND FRANKING CREDIT CALCULATION

FIGURE 3 DIVIDEND FRANKING CREDIT CALCULATION

NAME	CODE	DIVIDEND	FRANKED	UNFRANKED	FRANKING CREDIT
Ansell	ANN	98.54	0.00	98.54	0.00
Bega Cheese	BGA	64.00	64.00	0.00	27.42
Breville Group	BRG	147.50	95.50	52.00	40.93
Cochlear	COH	72.50	72.50	0.00	31.07
Computershare	CPU	67.15	20.15	47.00	8.64
Commonwealth Serum Labs	CSL	62.08	0.00	62.08	0.00
Capilano Honey	CZZ	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Select Harvest	SHV	203.00	203.00	0.00	87.00
Sirtex Medical	SRX	38.40	29.82	8.58	12.78
Telstra div + buyback	TLS	2,047.65	2,047.65	0.00	877.56
			2,532.62	271.89	1,085.40

2. CAPITAL LOSS CARRIED FORWARD

Telstra conducted a share buyback concluding on 3rd October 2016. All of the Fund's 730 shares were bought back by the company. There were two components a franked dividend of \$2.65 per share and a capital component of \$1.78 per share. However, the ATO ruled that the capital return for the purposes of making a capital loss the deemed capital return was \$2.70 per share, which is used in the calculation in Figure 4.

FIGURE 4 CAPITAL LOSS CALCULATION (\$)

NAME	#	INITIAL COST	DEEMED SALE	CAPITAL LOSS
Telstra	730	4,002.10	1,971.00	2031.10

3. GWA FUTURE FUND TRUST CASHBOOK ANALYSIS 1 JULY 2016 TO 30 JUNE 2017

FIGURE 5		P&N	CommSec
Date	Detail	HiSaver	Cash
P&N Bank Hi Saver account:			
1/07/16	Balances brought forward	48,023.34	509.38
1/07/16	Hi Saver interest credited	67.05	
1/08/16	Hi Saver interest credited	69.43	
15/08/16	Greens (WA) transfer 2016 surplus	-1,344.00	
15/08/16	Bank fee for funds transfer	-5.00	
15/08/16	Transfer from P&N to CommSec	-40,000.00	40,000.00
15/08/16	Bank fee for funds transfer	-5.00	
1/09/16	Hi Saver interest credited	32.70	
1/10/16	Hi Saver interest credited	8.15	
1/11/16	Hi Saver interest credited	8.44	
1/12/16	Hi Saver interest credited	7.41	
1/01/17	Hi Saver interest credited	7.29	
1/02/17	Hi Saver interest credited	7.29	
1/03/17	Hi Saver interest credited	6.60	
31/03/17	Term deposit annual interest	2,010.00	
1/04/17	Hi Saver interest credited	7.37	
1/05/17	Hi Saver interest credited	9.15	
1/06/17	Hi Saver interest credited	9.46	
CommSec investment account			
19/07/16	CommSec bond interest credited		3.69
19/08/16	CommSec share purchases		-40,039.20
1/09/16	CommSec cash interest credited		3.33
8/09/16	CommSec - Ansell Ltd dividend		53.26
15/09/16	CommSec - Bega Cheese Ltd dividend		32.00
20/09/16	CommSec bond interest credited		30.76
23/09/16	CommSec - Telstra Corp Ltd dividend		113.15
29/09/16	CommSec - Cochlear Ltd dividend		34.80
30/09/16	CommSec - Select Harvests Ltd dividend		145.00
6/10/16	CommSec - Breville Group Ltd dividend		70.00
7/10/16	CommSec - CSL Ltd dividend		31.92
11/10/16	CommSec - Telstra shares buy-back		3,233.00
19/10/16	CommSec - Sirtex Medical Ltd dividend		38.40
21/10/16	CommSec bond interest credited		178.63
15/11/16	CommSec bond interest credited		120.75
8/12/16	CommSec - ASIC annual company fee		-249.00
20/12/16	CommSec bond interest credited		30.79
10/03/17	CommSec - Ansell Ltd dividend		45.38
15/03/17	CommSec - Bega Cheese Ltd dividend		32.00
20/03/17	CommSec bond interest credited		30.96
22/03/17	CommSec - Computershare Ltd dividend		67.15
6/04/17	CommSec - Select Harvests Ltd dividend		58.00
8/04/17	CommSec - Cochlear Ltd dividend		37.70
6/04/17	CommSec - Breville Group Ltd dividend		77.50
13/04/17	CommSec - CSL Ltd dividend		30.16
21/04/17	CommSec bond interest credited		178.63
15/05/17	CommSec bond interest credited		120.75
20/06/17	CommSec bond interest credited		31.16
		8,919.68	5,050.05

2016 GREENS (WA) AGM MINUTES▲





MINUTES
Annual General Meeting (AGM)
The Greens (WA) Inc.
Saturday 29th October 2016 2pm

City West Lotteries House, 2 Dehli St, West Perth

1. Acknowledgement of Land: Kate Davis

Facilitator: Kate Davis

Secretary and minutes: Patrick Hyslop

Co-Convenors: Grahame Bowland & Nicole Harvey

Attendance and Quorum: Quorate

Tim Clifford, Matt Roberts, Matt Ward, Graham Hansen, David Letham, Steve Yuen, Henry Bateman, Ruth Greble, Chris Johanson, Giorgia Johnson, Penny Nielsen, Sarah Nielsen-Harvey, Sebastian Tudor, Andrew Markey, Justin Blanch, Rowena Skinner, Chilla Bulbeck, Dee Margetts, Giz Watson, Viv Glance, Alison Xamon, Miette Xamon, Isabella Robinson, Jordon Steele-John, Jody Freeman, Lynn MacLaren, Robin Chapple, Grahame Bowland, Nicole Harvey, Pam Heald, James Mumme, Mary O'Byrne, Margo Beilby, Troy Treeby, Patrick Hyslop, Kate Davis

2. Apologies: Aeron Blundell-Camden, Shaun Newman, Scott Ludlam, Trish Cowcher, Maria Niermann, Rachel Siewert, June Lowe, Hannah Milligan, Luke Edmonds

3. Declaration of Proxies: Nil

4. Previous Minutes: Change "Agenda" to "Minutes"

**In future draft minutes of AGM minutes to be circulated to all attendees following AGM with a timeline for response. Minutes to then be sent to all members and officially approved at following AGM.*

**Minutes otherwise accepted*

5. Ballot for Office Bearers, National Delegate, State and Deputy State Member to National Council

Nominations

Convenors - Sarah Nielsen Harvey and Grahame Bowland

State Member to National Council - Troy Treeby

Deputy State Member to National Council - Aeron Blundell-Camden & Viv Glance

National Delegate - Shaun Newman

Treasurer - Giorgia Johnson

**Only nomination for Secretary was withdrawn so a call for nominations will go back out and then be decided at November Reps.*

Nominees then spoke about their nominations before attendees cast votes

**Meeting acknowledged all the good work outgoing Co-convenor, Nicole Harvey has done over the past year*

6. Life memberships

Jay Birnbauer – *honorary life membership conferred by AGM*

Giz Watson – *honorary life membership conferred by AGM*

7. Co-Convenor's report

Grahame Bowland & Nicole Harvey-

- Many people to thank and can't name them all but particularly thanks go to: those attending Reps Council such as facilitators and permanent reps; those who helped move office recently particularly Rowena Skinner, Annabel Meddings and Giz Watson; everyone at Admin Working Group (AWG) particularly Giz Watson and Jean Le Quesne; stalls crew particularly Grant Boxer; all members, campaign volunteers and candidates for the federal election; Election Campaign Committee, particularly Trish Cowcher and Troy Treeby; Preferences Working Group; campaign staff particularly Sophie Greer and Andrew Beaton.
- Nicole noted there are some areas for improvement in the party despite all the good work e.g. some internal processes. There is a need to think about how party structure and processes may be reformed.
- Thanks to working groups, Green Economic Forum, state and federal parliamentarians, Alan Perkins and Fabian Yarran, Australian Greens particularly national office bearers, Young Greens.
- Thanks to other state office bearers and Quick Decision Making Group
- Note that party membership has grown 50% over the past 3 years and we want to continue this. Also note that there are opportunities to grow and flag there may be a need for more paid staff to put that work into action.

- Thanks office staff and Friday volunteers, regional group office bearers, Chilla Bulbeck and all those who contribute to Green Issue, Giz Watson for work as Grievance Officer and Grahame Bowland for all his knowledge and efforts.

**AGM would like to particularly thank the Co-convenors for all work over the year as well as the new candidates for the upcoming election*

8. Secretary's Report (Patrick Hyslop)

- Rather than go through thanking all the various people and groups, particular thanks go to colleagues on AWG, to the Treasurer, Giorgia Johnson, to Membership Officer (MO), Jean le Qesne and to previous MO, David Letham.
- Note that some working groups are struggling for members and that Refugee Action group hasn't had a convenor for quite some time so is no longer functioning. Encourage all members to try and spare some time for these groups and to mention these to new members at the regional group level.

9. Treasurer's Report: See reports circulated separately–

a. Presentation of 2015/16 audited accounts:

- Note that cash balance has increased, mainly thanks to election surplus. Income and expenses has been managed well.
- Question was raised about the slight decrease in parliamentary levies compared to last year. Note that this could be due to changes in MPs committee incomes but Giorgia will report back on arrangements at AWG.
- Note that GWA have switched banking partly to Bendigo but some functions need to remain with Commbank for the moment – will be moving over slowly.

**James Mumme moved to accept accounts which was seconded by Giz Watson - Accounts accepted by AGM*

b. Presentation of 2015/16 Future Fund report: Note that audit took up most profits so FF decided not to audit accounts this time round

**Viv Glance moved to accept Future Fund report which was seconded by Pam Heald – Report accepted by AGM*

c. Approval of auditor for 2016/17 accounts: It was suggested by Treasurer that GWA continue to use Butler-Settineri as auditors

**Sarah Nielsen-Harvey moved to accept Butler-Settineri as auditors which was seconded by Matt Ward – Auditors accepted by AGM*

Thanks to Rowena and Jenny for getting accounts ready for financial year **AGM thanked Giorgia Johnson for her work as treasurer over the past year*

10. National Delegate to the Australian Greens report: Shaun Newman. See report.

Viv Glance noted the ongoing work for strategic planning, any member interested in helping in this process please come and see Viv

**AGM thanks Shaun Newman, Viv Glance and Mark Cooper NWG and all delegates*

11. Declaration of ballot for new Office Bearers, National Delegate and Member to National Council

Co-convenors – Sarah Nielsen-Harvey & Grahame Bowland elected

Treasurer – Giorgia Johnson elected

National Delegate – Shaun Newman elected

State Member to National Council – Troy Treeby elected

Deputy State Member to National Council – Viv Glance elected

**Roving mic to be provided for next AGM if possible*

**AGM thanks to Kate Davis for facilitating*

12. Meeting closed at: 3.30pm



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