



Burswood Park Board

ANNUAL REPORT

2024





Acknowledgement of Country

Burswood Park Board acknowledges the Whadjuk Noongar people as the traditional custodians of this land and their continuing connection to land, waters and community.

We pay our respects to all members of Aboriginal communities and their cultures; and to Elders past and present.

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

FOR YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

Hon. Paul Papalia CSC, MLA

Minister for Police;
Corrective Services; Racing and Gaming;
Defence Industry; Veterans Issues



In accordance with section 63 of the *Financial Management Act 2006*, we hereby submit for your information and presentation to Parliament, the Annual Report of Burswood Park Board for the reporting period ended 30 June 2024.

The Annual Report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the *Financial Management Act 2006*.

The financial statements comply with Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board.

John McGrath

PRESIDENT

21 AUGUST 2024

Linda Kut

CHIEF EXECUTIVE

21 AUGUST 2024

This report informs key stakeholders and the community about Burswood Park Board, its priorities, challenges and performance for the 2023-24 financial year. For more information or to provide feedback, email - reception@burswoodpark.wa.gov.au.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT



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John McGrath
PRESIDENT

I am pleased to present the Annual Report of Burswood Park Board for the year ended 30 June 2024. This report outlines the Board's activities, key performance indicators and audited financial statements for 2023-24.

Over the 2023-24 financial year the Board has continued to be guided by our Strategic Direction 2030, seeing us deliver against the three important pillars of this strategy, aligned with our 20 Year Vision to activate the Burswood Peninsula. The vision seeks to inject life into the underutilised Peninsula and elevate Burswood Park into a world-class hub for culture, environment and recreation, showcasing Western Australia's unique blend of nature and heritage.

November 2023 saw the Board host a key stakeholder breakfast event to share the 20 Year Vision. The presentation was well-received by the audience and attracted significant positive interest from the media.

We continue to make strides towards realising our 20 Year Vision.

Expert consultants have been appointed to conduct feasibility studies and economic impact assessments for key elements such as the outdoor music bowl, new playground, cafe and cultural zone. The completion of the Matagarup Mini Golf, the new High-Quality Shared Path and the State Government's \$3 million investment for the new playground mark the first tangible milestones in bringing our vision to life.

Our operations team continues to successfully manage and maintain the 52.9 hectares of landscaped gardens, public open spaces, park facilities, and visitor attractions that make up Burswood Park. This includes awarding a new \$26.9 million Grounds Maintenance Contract for an initial term of five years. The contract covers both Burswood Park and the adjacent 12 hectare Great Eastern Highway median strip. The contract ensures the highest quality maintenance and facilities to support the Park's diverse activities and maintain common landscape standards across both areas.

I would like to extend my congratulations to Bronwyn Ife and Peter King on their recent appointments to the Burswood Park Board. Bronwyn, appointed in August 2023 as the

nominee for the Town of Victoria Park, has been a councillor since 2017 and is currently serving her second term as Deputy Mayor. She brings valuable insights from her extensive background in local government and community engagement.

Peter, appointed in May 2024 as the nominee for the Minister for Environment, is also Deputy Chair of the Swan River Trust. We are confident that Bronwyn and Peter's considerable experience and expertise will be of immense value to the Board, helping us to continue providing successful guidance and support to ensure Burswood Park remains attractive and accessible to all Western Australians and visitors to the State.

I would also like to acknowledge and thank our outgoing board members, Anthony Vuleta and Dr. Joanna Pearce, for their contributions which have been greatly appreciated, and to the Board's Audit and Risk Committee for their invaluable oversight and assistance. Congratulations to Independent Chair, Kelly Hick, and Mandy Taylor on the extension of their ARC terms for a further two years, as well as Bronwyn Ife on her appointment to the ARC in May 2024, replacing Board member Chris Melsom.

On behalf of the Board, I extend our heartfelt gratitude to our outgoing Chief Executive, Linda Kut, for her six years of dedicated service and unwavering passion for Burswood Park, which has been instrumental in driving our progress and success. Linda's significant contributions to the 20 Year Vision and her commitment to the Park's future have laid a strong foundation for the continued growth and development of Burswood Park.

I also thank our employees for their commitment and passion for the Park and look forward to continuing to work together to achieve our vision and elevate Burswood Park into a world-class hub for culture, environment and recreation.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT



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Linda Kut
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

There was much to celebrate in 2023-24 as we rounded off another successful and busy year for Burswood Park.

Despite the challenges faced, including the cancellation and rescheduling of the WA Day Festival due to inclement weather which flooded the South 9 parklands, the Park continued to thrive and evolve, welcoming over 222,000 event attendees.

A highlight of the year was the opening of the Matagarup Mini Golf course, which has already become a popular attraction. Located on the banks of the Swan River adjacent to the Matagarup Zip+Climb, the new course features 18 holes set amongst native landscaping and challenging obstacles inspired by Western Australia, including kangaroos, the Pinnacles, and a scale model of the iconic Matagarup Bridge.

Additionally, construction commenced on the operating premises for the Matagarup Zip+Climb and Mini Golf, and a new café, with an estimated completion date of October 2024. The completion of the High Quality Shared Pathway construction project is another testament to our ongoing activation and development efforts.

The implementation of a new evaluation platform to measure visitation and visitor experience marked a milestone in enhancing our engagement and impact measurement capabilities.

Our newly formulated Events Strategy provides Burswood Park with clear direction for its planning, delivery, decision-making and support for events within the Park. The strategy establishes a pathway to optimise the outcomes and resources needed to attract, deliver, and support community, cultural and major events at Burswood Park.

This year saw a variety of successful events, including the Perth Running Festival, Jurassic Kingdom, Have a Go Day, and Equestrian in the Park. Santa's Symphony in the Park was again a standout, drawing approximately 5,000 attendees and featuring a captivating performance by the Perth Symphony Orchestra. We are pleased to announce a new three-year sponsorship agreement with the Town of Victoria Park for this event, underscoring our commitment to making Burswood Park a premier destination for open-air performances and community gatherings.

The Telethon Community Cinemas, now in its 22nd season, experienced record success with 75,900 attendees and over \$1 million raised for beneficiaries and community groups. Burswood Park remains a key venue for Telethon Community Cinemas, hosting 40.72% of all receipts and 36.98% of patrons, demonstrating our continued support for charitable causes.

Cultural events also flourished, with Burswood Park hosting the Multicultural Eid Carnival and the Holi Festival of Colours. These events celebrate the rich cultural diversity of our community and enhance the Park's role as a hub for cultural activities.

As I mark my final days at Burswood Park, I look forward to seeing the Board build on these achievements over the coming years, continuing the Board's commitment to providing a premier recreational space for all Western Australians and visitors to the state. Our 20 Year Vision to activate the Burswood Peninsula remains a guiding beacon, with plans for a world-class hub for culture, environment, and recreation, showcasing Western Australia's unique blend of nature and heritage.

A highlight of the year was the opening of the Matagarup Mini Golf course, which has already become a popular attraction.





OUR PURPOSE, VISION AND VALUES

Enabling Legislation

Burswood Park Board was established in accordance with clause 6(1)(c) of the Agreement Schedule detailed in the *Casino (Burswood Island) Agreement Act 1985*. Under the provisions of the *Parks and Reserves Act 1895*, the Board is responsible for the control and management of Burswood Park – a Class ‘C’ reserve for parks and recreation.

Responsible Minister

The Hon. Paul Papalia CSC, MLA Minister for Police; Corrective Services; Racing and Gaming; Defence Industry; Veterans Issues.

WHO WE ARE

Burswood Park Board is a Statutory Authority of the Government of Western Australia responsible for the control and management of Burswood Park.

PURPOSE

We exist to improve, enhance and adapt the Park for the purposes of public recreation, health and enjoyment.

VISION

A gathering place for shared stories and meaningful connections to land, heritage, culture and each other.

VALUES

Our values underpin everything we do and how we do it. They are an integral and important part of us, defining what we believe and how we behave. They are supported by our commitment to ensuring we are accountable for our actions and that we behave with integrity.

Passionate

Adaptable

Respectful

Collaborative

STRATEGIC DIRECTION 2030

Launched in late 2021 and aligned with the aspirational 20 Year Vision, the Strategic Direction has continued to guide our internal decision making, focusing our team, key partners and stakeholders to achieve tangible outcomes for the Park, the community of Western Australia and beyond.

OUR STRATEGIES



AN ACTIVATED AND VIBRANT PARK, WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE PENINSULA

We create opportunities for local, national and international visitors to participate in diverse and unique experiences across the Park and Peninsula.



A SAFE AND SUSTAINABLE PARK

We protect and enhance our natural assets, biodiversity and parklands to ensure a sustainable future for current and future generations.

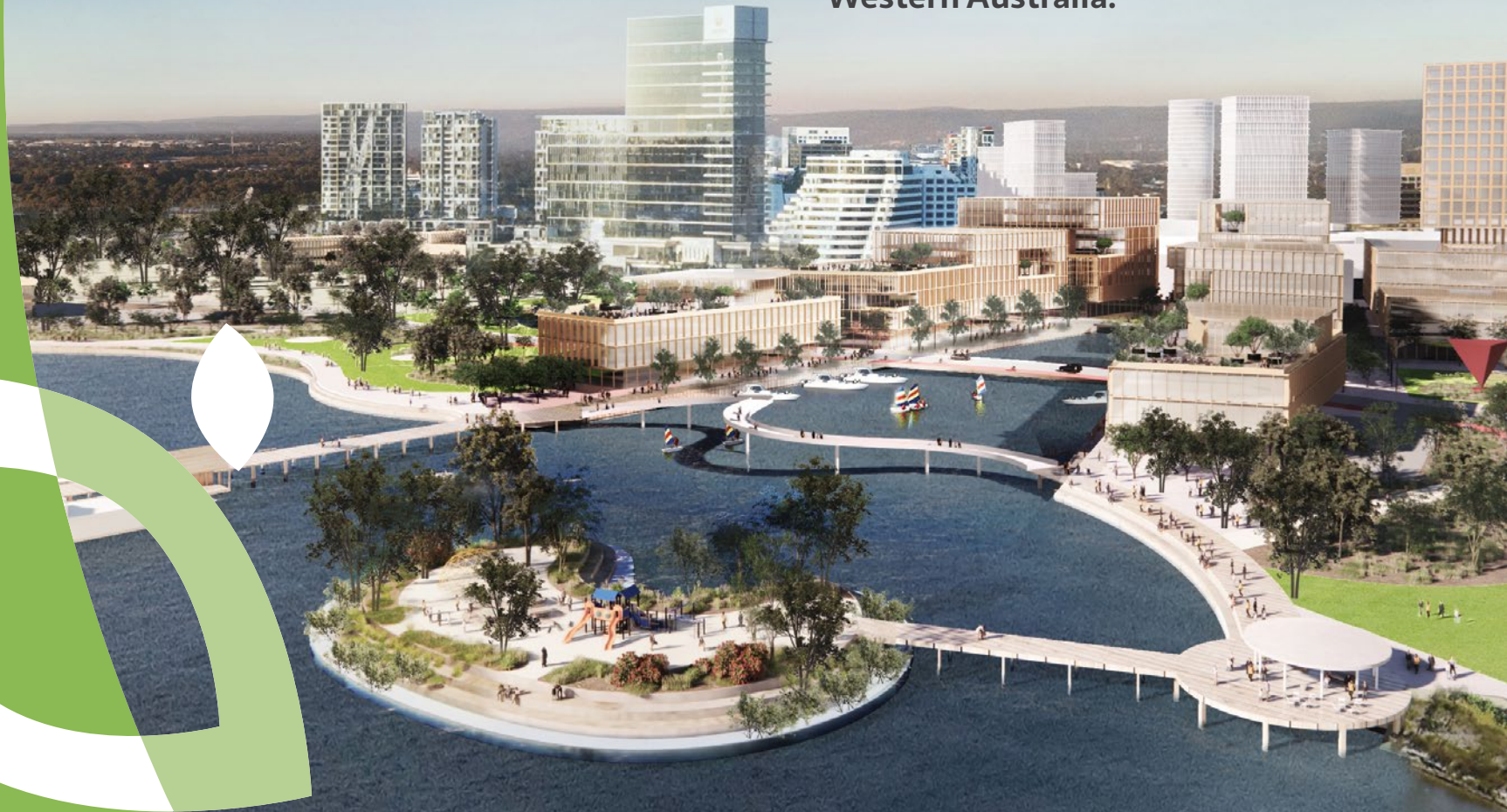


A DYNAMIC AND RESPONSIVE ORGANISATION

We value and support our people and are continuously improving our governance and operations.

20 YEAR VISION

Burswood Park Board has developed an ambitious 20 Year Vision to ensure the Burswood Peninsula realises its destination potential and to create a world-class, cultural, environmental, and recreational showpiece for Western Australia.



Burswood Park's 20 Year Vision contemplates a stronger utilisation of existing Burswood Park land to encourage higher levels of activation and facilitate avenues for securing revenue to fund park improvements.

In developing the Park's 20 Year Vision, consideration has been given to the needs of our growing city. It places Burswood Park's important parkland within the context of an increasingly interconnected world with higher levels of visitation anticipated from both the local community, as well as interstate and international tourists.

The vision has a 20-year framework, identifying projects over the short, medium and longer term and acknowledges the work required by both the private and public sectors to come together to realise the ideas within the more ambitious precincts.

The concept for Burswood Park encapsulates 'a Park for Everyone' sentiment, with the vision structured around a series of themed precincts connected by pathways, boulevards, boardwalks and trails.

In developing Burswood Park's 20 Year Vision, we remain cognisant of other informing plans, and acknowledge the interests of various stakeholders, including

the State Infrastructure Strategy, Town of Victoria Park, City of South Perth, Botanic Gardens and Parks Authority (BGPA), and City of Perth.

This approach ensures a cohesive and integrated strategy for park development and positions the entire precinct as a premier tourism destination.



FOREST PRECINCT

To explore wildflowers, jog a looping trail, be inspired through art and rest in natural garden settings.



FESTIVAL PRECINCT

With a 10,000+ capacity **outdoor music bowl**. The only large-scale open-air venue in Perth, permanently set up to host world class performances, cultural and community events.



THE QUAY PRECINCT

An ambitious element of the vision, is a feature inlet connecting the river to the Crown Perth complex, creating a vibrant hospitality precinct with a promenade, jetty and exciting island play zone.



RIVERSIDE PRECINCT

The riverside precinct will feature three distinct hubs:

An activity hub featuring an iconic Western Australian themed mini golf course, challenge activities and a café outlet.

The water hub will create memories and meaningful connections, bringing communities closer to the river's edge, next to a highly activated nature play, contemporary playground space and food and beverage outlets.

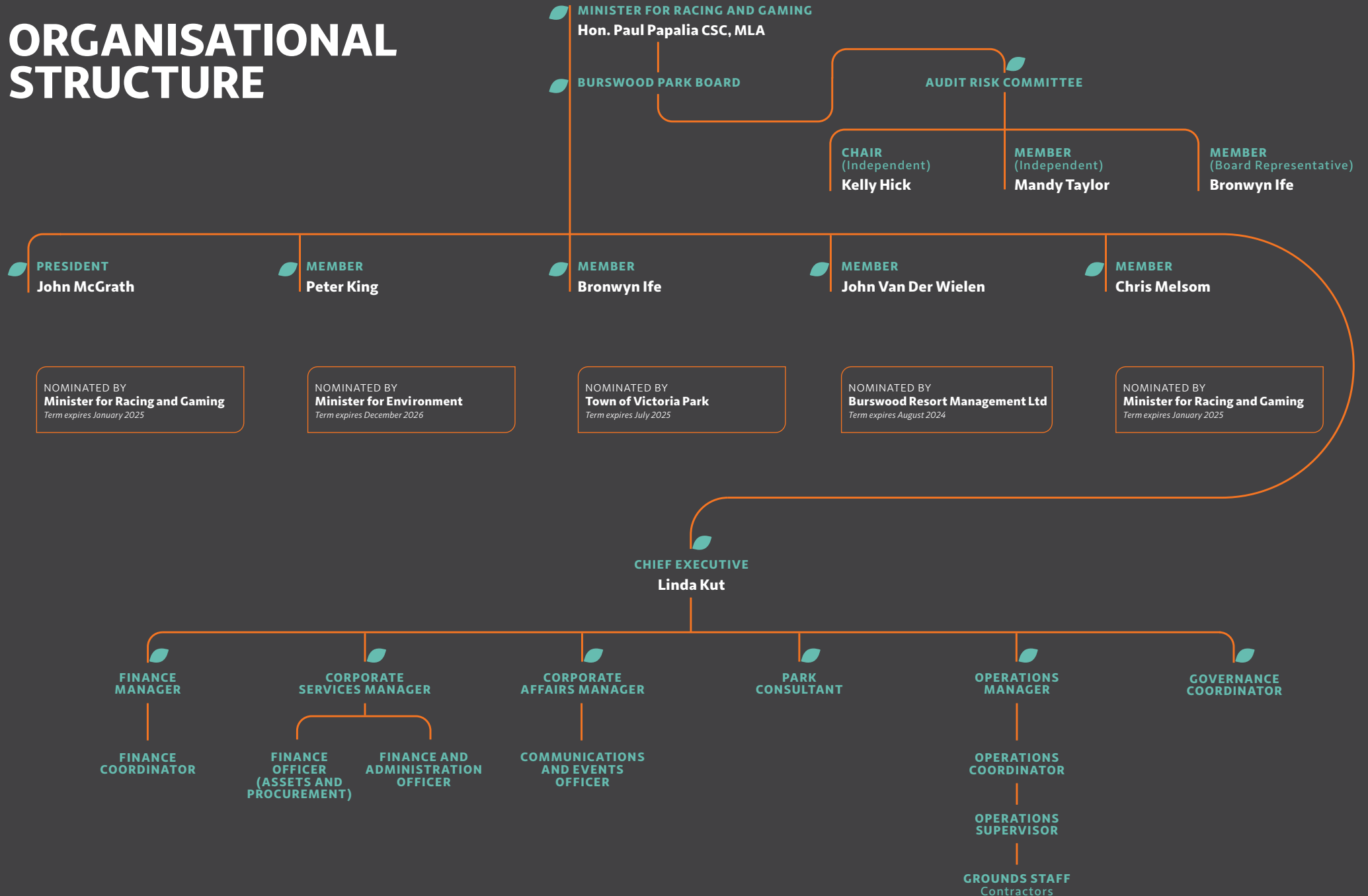
A cultural hub where we will work with the Whadjuk Noongar community, artists and designers to create a unique experience and cultural attraction of international significance.



NEXT STEPS

Implementation is being carefully considered and discussed with a range of stakeholders, including relevant State Government agencies. The results of feasibility studies will inform the sequence and timing of the next steps towards realising the 20 Year Vision.

ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE



OUR BOARD

BOARD MEMBERS (left to right).

- Chris Melsom
- John Van Der Wielen
- Bronwyn Ife
- John McGrath
- Peter King



John McGrath

John McGrath, a former sports editor at The West Australian newspaper, spent 16 years (2005-21) in the Western Australian parliament as Member for South Perth.

He served as shadow minister for racing, gaming and liquor licensing and as parliamentary secretary to Premier Colin Barnett to work on the Perth stadium project at Burswood.

During his time in parliament John was a strong advocate for greater use of the Swan River for transport and tourism and chaired a government working group to look at expanding Perth's ferry network.

John was appointed President of the Burswood Park Board on 1 March 2022.

John Van Der Wielen

John Van Der Wielen is an executive in the finance and insurance sector with over 30 years of experience in wealth management, private banking, investments, and insurance.

His extensive career includes broad international experience and extends to a number of other roles including Chief Executive Officer of not-for-profit fund HBF for 5 years.

In addition to his current appointment as Crown Perth Chairperson, John is presently the Chairperson of the Future Health Research and Innovation Fund Advisory and OrthoCell as well as a member of the Board of the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

John was appointed to the Burswood Park Board in August 2022.

Chris Melsom

Chris Melsom is a respected urban planning and design practitioner with over 30 years of international experience in both the public and private sectors.

He has advised on strategic infrastructure, major developments, new towns and communities, industrial hubs, health and education precincts, and urban redevelopment projects.

An advocate for sustainable cities and an accomplished strategist, Chris was appointed to the Burswood Park Board in August 2021.

Bronwyn Ife

Bronwyn Ife is the Board nominee for the Town of Victoria Park and has been a councillor since 2017. She is currently serving her second term as Deputy Mayor, a role she also held from 2019 to 2021.

Bronwyn is particularly interested in addressing social inequality and how policies at all levels of government can improve communities.

She holds tertiary qualifications in History, Anthropology, Education, and Public Health and has professional experience in conflict resolution, fraud investigation, and is the Community and Education Coordinator for the Perth Symphony Orchestra.

Bronwyn was appointed to the Burswood Park Board in August 2023.

Peter King

Peter King is the Board nominee for the Minister for Environment. He is the Deputy Chair of the Swan River Trust and currently consults for the Western Australian resources industry, specialising in the development and approval of large, state-significant projects.

Peter has held senior positions in several State Government agencies, including the former Department of Agriculture, the former Department of State Development, and the Pilbara Ports Authority. He has also worked with local resource companies and consultancies.

Additionally, he has had numerous overseas postings in the Middle East and the Subcontinent. His areas of expertise include agriculture, natural resource management, land use planning, project facilitation, and infrastructure planning and development.

Peter was appointed to the Board in May 2024.

Footnote:

The term of Anthony Vuleta, member appointed by Town of Victoria Park, concluded on 31 July 2023. The term of Dr Joanna Pearce, member appointed by the Minister for the Environment, concluded on 31 December 2023.



OUR AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE

Burswood Park Board's Audit and Risk Committee (ARC) was established in August 2020. Membership consists of an Independent Chair, an independent member and one member representing the Board. The ARC's responsibilities include oversight and monitoring of compliance, audit, risk management, budgetary and corporate governance matters and the integrity of financial and performance reporting processes.

Kelly Hick Independent Chair

Kelly was appointed to the ARC in October 2021, with a two-year term extension awarded in October 2023.

Mandy Taylor Independent Member

Mandy was appointed to the ARC in October 2021, with a two-year term extension awarded in October 2023.

Bronwyn Ife Member representing the Board

Bronwyn was appointed to the ARC in May 2024, replacing Chris Melson whose term concluded November 2023.

ADMINISTERED LEGISLATION

The Agency assists the Minister for Racing and Gaming in the administration of the following Acts:

- *Casino (Burswood Island) Agreement Act 1985*

Other key legislation impacting on the Agency's activities

In the performance of its functions, the Agency complies with the following relevant written laws:

- *Parks and Reserves Act 1895*
- *Auditor General Act 2006*
- *Contaminated Sites Act 2003*
- *Disability Services Act 1993*
- *Equal Opportunity Act 1984*
- *Financial Management Act 2006*
- *Freedom of Information Act 1992*
- *Industrial Relations Act 1979*
- *Long Service Leave Act 1958*
- *Minimum Conditions of Employment Act 1993*
- *Work Health and Safety Act 2020*
- *Procurement Act 2020*
- *Public Sector Management Act 1994*
- *Salaries and Allowances Act 1975*
- *State Records Act 2000*
- *Swan and Canning Rivers Management Act 2006*

OUR YEAR AT A GLANCE

VISITORS TO THE PARK

226,195

EVENT PATRONS VISITED BURSWOOD PARK

RIVER CONSERVATION

\$3m

TOWARDS SWAN AND CANNING RIVER HEALTH, RESTORATION AND BEHAVIOURAL CHANGE PROGRAMS

SUSTAINABILITY

74,049

SINGLE USE CONTAINERS DIVERTED FROM LANDFILL

ALIGNED WITH OUR 3 STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

INITIATIVE 1



INITIATIVE 2



INITIATIVE 3



VISITOR SATISFACTION

92%

SATISFIED OR VERY SATISFIED

VISION FOR THE FUTURE

20 year vision

PROGRESSED WITH FEASIBILITY STUDIES AND ECONOMIC IMPACT ASSESSMENTS

SOCIAL REACH

FACEBOOK

REACH

6,199

ENGAGEMENT RATE

2%

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

34

EVENTS HOSTED IN BURSWOOD PARK TO ENCOURAGE GREATER SOCIAL INCLUSION AND A SENSE OF COMMUNITY

FUNDRAISING COLLABORATIONS

\$13.27m

RAISED FOR CHARITIES FROM EVENTS HOSTED WITHIN BURSWOOD PARK

INFRASTRUCTURE & PARK IMPROVEMENTS

\$3.7m

CAPITAL INVESTMENT, INCLUDING A HIGH QUALITY SHARED PATH WITHIN THE PARK

INSTAGRAM

REACH

587

ENGAGEMENT RATE

4.5%

SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL TARGETS AND KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS 2023-24

ECONOMIC

Financial targets

TARGET	ACTUAL
\$0.7m deficit	\$0.6m deficit

Net cost / income of services

TARGET	ACTUAL
\$1.1m net cost of service	\$0.9m net cost of service

Total equity

TARGET	ACTUAL
\$33.8m	\$33.8m

Agreed/directed salary expense level

TARGET	ACTUAL
\$1.5m	\$1.5m

PARK IMPROVEMENTS

Property Plant and Equipment

TARGET	ACTUAL
\$4.9m investment	\$3.7m investment

Infrastructure – Major Projects

Completion of new High Quality Shared Path
Installation of subsurface lake aeration in Kagoshima Park
Commencement of Burswood Park Interpretation Node design and construction
Construction of toilet facilities within the Zipline zone

Infrastructure – Operations

Installation of new sewer unit to service Bilya Café
Installation of two new shelters and table and bench seat sets at Bilya Café
Upgrade contractor maintenance facility to accommodate additional staff and machinery
Re-alignment of irrigation services in Charles Paterson Park to accommodate new High Quality Shared Path
Replacement of old drink fountains
Replacement of electric BBQs
Playground upgrade

KPI SUMMARY

Visitors to the Park

TARGET	ACTUAL
250k	226k

Visitor Satisfaction

TARGET	ACTUAL
90%	92%

Park Maintenance (avg total cost of maintenance per hectare of Park)

TARGET	ACTUAL
\$148,612 per hectare	\$102,147 per hectare

BEST PRACTICE

Sustainability

27.7% increase

with 74,049 single use containers returned

Lost Time Injuries

TARGET	ACTUAL
0 lost time injuries	0 lost time injuries

Accessibility

7 new

ACROD carparks added to Carpark 6



STRATEGIC INITIATIVE 1

An activated and vibrant Park, within the boundaries of the Burswood Peninsula

- **Shape the long-term future of Burswood Park.**
- **Bring people together to connect to land, heritage, culture and each other.**
- **A centre of knowledge for truth-telling and shared stories about the history and culture of the Park.**
- **Enhance customer experiences through innovation and technology.**
- **Foster strong relationships, trust and confidence with the local community and visitors, our partners and stakeholders.**
- **Improve the visibility and brand awareness of Burswood Park.**

20 Year Vision Update

Over the 2023-24 financial year the Board has continued to work towards realising elements of the 20 Year Vision – Burswood Park’s plan to activate the Burswood Peninsula.

The vision seeks to inject life into the underutilised Peninsula and elevate Burswood Park into a world-class hub for culture, environment, and recreation, showcasing Western Australia’s unique blend of nature and heritage.

In developing the Park’s 20 Year Vision, consideration has been given to the needs of our growing city. It places Burswood Park’s important parkland within the context of an increasingly interconnected world with higher levels of visitation anticipated from both the local community, as well as interstate and international tourists.

On Tuesday, 21 November 2023, Hon Reece Whitby MLA, the then Minister for Racing and Gaming, Burswood Park Board President John McGrath, and Linda Kut, Chief Executive, hosted a breakfast event to share the Board's 20 Year Vision and its priorities with key stakeholders.

To bring the 20 Year Vision to life, a short video featuring a fly-through of the three proposed precincts – festival, riverside, and forest – was presented. The video also highlighted the proposed hubs that would feature in each of the precincts: the quay, activity hub, cultural hub, riverfront hub, outdoor music bowl, discovery precinct and a mixed-use transit-oriented development.

The vision's twenty-year framework identifies projects over the short, medium, and longer term, acknowledging the work required by both private and public sectors to realise the 20 Year Vision within the precincts.

The presentation highlighted three priority elements:

- **A new café and play experience** – part of the Riverfront hub, it is anticipated to be delivered in the shorter term with the State Government's \$3 million investment for the playground, part of the 2024-25 State Budget.
- **The development of a 10,000+ capacity outdoor music bowl** to provide Perth with a large-scale open-air venue permanently set up to host world-class performances, cultural and community events.
- **A cultural zone** along the river's edge, designed to celebrate the Western Australian environment and particularly Whadjuk Noongar culture.

Acil Allen, a leading independent economics, policy and strategy advisory firm, was appointed to undertake an economic impact assessment of elements of the 20 Year Vision, including the outdoor music bowl, the playground/café, and the cultural zone. Cox Architecture was engaged to prepare a feasibility study for the outdoor music bowl.

Activity Hub

The Board is pleased to have partnered with Main Roads and Perth Bridge Climb and Zip to welcome Matagarup Mini Golf to Burswood Park in March 2024.

Located on the banks of the Swan River adjacent to Matagarup Zip+Climb, the new course is inspired by Western Australia, with 18 holes set amongst native landscaping, a 50-metre creek, artwork and leafy trees, with challenging obstacles including kangaroos, the Pinnacles and a scale model of the iconic Matagarup Bridge.

A new café and front-of-house premises is also to be added to the precinct, which will serve as a hub for all Matagarup Zip+Climb and Mini Golf activities, including ticketing, merchandise, and an exciting virtual reality activity.

These state-of-the-art facilities are being constructed by Kardan Construction, a proud Aboriginal business. Construction commenced in January 2024, with completion expected in the last quarter of 2024.

Event Highlights



Santa's Symphony in the Park

Burswood Park Board's flagship event was held on Saturday 2 December 2023 and was again a resounding success with approximately 5,000 people in attendance.

The evening featured a captivating program, starting with an acoustic performance by Sash Seabourne. The Town of Victoria Park, partnered for the first time with Burswood Park Board as the Talent Sponsor, supporting the Perth Symphony Orchestra in delivering a mesmerising performance of classic, traditional, and modern Christmas songs.

Attendees enjoyed a variety of fun activities, including airbrush tattoos, an animal farm, a fun zone with giant bubbles and lawn games, and of course, Santa, his elf, and Rudolf the Reindeer.

Kanga Markets added a festive touch with unique gift offerings from artisan stalls with handcrafted homewares, jewellery, art, and tasty treats.

Food trucks provided diverse culinary options, while Campus Brewing returned to the event, serving Christmas drinks in a designated bar area.

We look forward to continuing to grow the event and making strides towards realising the 20 Year Vision for stronger utilisation of Burswood Park making it Perth's premier destination for open-air performances, concerts, productions, community gatherings, and sporting events.

Community Activities in the Park

Burswood Park remains a favoured venue for running and walking events, facilitated both by regular clubs and various charitable organisations hosting fundraising activities.

Burswood Park Board recognises the positive contributions these organisations make to the community, including the Over 55 Walking Association, Over 55 Cycling Club, WA Marathon Club, Masters Athletics WA and Athletics West.



Jurassic Kingdom

Jurassic Kingdom 2024 was a phenomenal success, attracting nearly 100,000 attendees and generating extensive media coverage across all major WA outlets.

This year's event featured exciting new additions such as the Dino Creation Lab, The Paddock, and the debut of Jurassic Nights. The Jurassic Nights were particularly popular, offering vibrant LED-lit experiences that transformed Burswood Park into a prehistoric wonderland from 6 pm to 9 pm on selected nights. Highlights included the Raptor Den, Glowing Egg Garden, and T-Rex Chase. The awe-inspiring illuminated dinosaurs captivated visitors, showcasing these ancient creatures in stunning detail through spectacular large-scale light installations.



HBF Run for a Reason

HBF Run for a Reason was held on Sunday 19 May 2024, with participants in the 12km and half marathon treated to stunning views as their routes wound through Burswood Park.

Over 30,000 people participated this year with the final amount raised hitting more than \$1.2 million for more than 280 charities, bringing the total amount raised since 2010 to more than \$12.5 million.



Telethon Community Cinemas

Telethon Community Cinemas holds a special place in Burswood Park's history, as the first venue to host the inaugural outdoor cinema in January 2002.

In its 22nd season, having grown to four venues including Murdoch, Bassendean and Joondalup, this year's season has been the most successful of all time across all venues with 75,900 attendees - a 30% increase on the previous year, and over \$1 million funds raised for beneficiaries and various community groups. This brings the total funds raised over the 22 years to \$12.7 million.

Telethon Community Cinemas has helped many organisations over the past 22 years: the Kids' Cancer Support Group at PMH, Speak Easy WA, Camp Quality, Youth Focus,

Noah's Ark, Horsepower WA, Rebound WA, Type 1 Diabetes, 12 Buckets, Edmund Rice Camps, Riding for the Disabled WA, Starlight Children's Foundation, Ronald McDonald House Charities, Wheelchairs for Kids, Heart Kids WA, Kids' Camps WA, Friends of Autism, the Perth Inner City Youth Service, Telethon and Variety WA along with a host of others.

Cultural Events

Burswood Park once again played host to several cultural events including the Australian Arab Association's Multicultural Eid Carnival, now in its 14th year. This event celebrates Eid al-Fitr, the festive culmination of the month of Ramadan.

Also hosted in the Park were Navratri Mela, an annual Hindu festival observed in honour of the goddess Durga, as well as the Holi Festival of Colours, a Hindu festival that celebrates spring, love, and new life.



STRATEGIC INITIATIVE 2

A safe and sustainable Park

- Consistently maintain quality standards in facilities and park management and presentation.
- Commit to a sustainable future for the Park.
- Protect, conserve and enhance the biodiversity of the Park.
- Prioritise safety and security at the Park, including creating an accessible and inclusive place for all people of all abilities.

Burswood Park, encompassing over 52.9 hectares of prime parkland just 15 minutes from the centre of Perth, accessible by road, rail, and bus, forms part of an unbroken landscape along the southern bank of the Swan River. Once an environmental wasteland, it is now a Class C Reserve with 52.9 hectares of parks, and flora.

Burswood Park staff continue to successfully manage these landscaped gardens, public open spaces, park facilities, and visitor attractions to the highest standards throughout the year, maintaining a commitment to environmental protection and preservation.

This includes the awarding of a new five-year, \$26.9 million Grounds Maintenance Contract, which covers both Burswood Park and the adjacent 12-hectare Great Eastern Highway median strip.

This significant contract ensures the highest quality maintenance and facilities to support the Park's diverse activities and maintain common landscape standards across both areas.

Activity Highlights



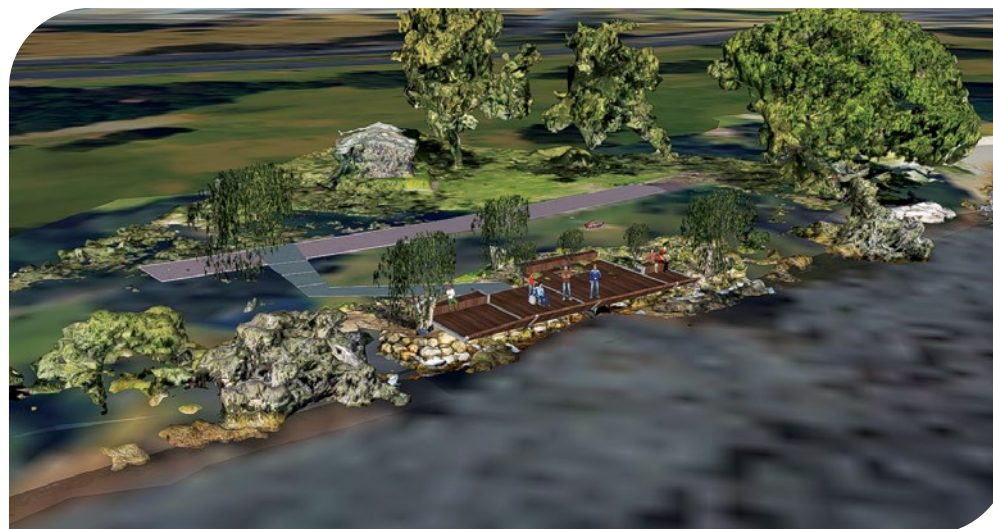
High Quality Shared Path

The construction of a new High Quality Shared Path through Burswood Park has now been completed.

The new one-kilometre pathway, running from the Causeway to the WA Recreational Water Sports Association, adds to the existing three kilometres of cycle and pedestrian path network that runs through the park.

The new pathway has been designed to cater for fast moving cyclists and e-transport riders, to ensure existing pathways through Burswood Park can be used safely by recreational cyclists, pedestrians and wheelchair users.

This pathway contributes to the activation of the Peninsula by providing a safer and more accessible route for all patrons.



Interpretation Node

In partnership with the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), the collaborative planning and design, of an Interpretation Node within Burswood Park was completed.

The Swan Canning Riverpark River Journeys Interpretation Nodes Program aims to enhance the existing site features and visitor experience while making an exciting and recognisable Riverpark Interpretation Node. Eight Interpretation Nodes have been constructed around the Swan Canning Riverpark to date.

This concept utilises the Park's current built infrastructure and natural assets, while maintaining existing use and improving the visitor experience. The design concept uses similar design language to the previously constructed Riverpark Interpretation Nodes, including long timber benches and inclined interpretation panels.

Foreshore Stabilisation

A joint initiative between DBCAs' Riverbank Program and Burswood Park Board aims to repair and stabilise the eroded shoreline of Burswood Park.

The Burswood Park shoreline has been significantly impacted by wind-generated waves and boat wake, necessitating various stabilisation techniques to dissipate wave energy and reduce erosion. Design for Stage 2 of the project is currently in progress. This will enhance the shoreline's amenity, appearance, and ecology by using native vegetation to stabilise the area and create a vegetation corridor for native fauna.

Bilya Café Upgrade

In January 2024 improvements were made to Bilya Café including the installation of two new permanent shelters and table and bench seat sets. These upgrades provide park visitors with additional undercover spaces to enjoy all year round.



Playground Upgrade

In May, Burswood Park temporarily closed the playground for routine maintenance and upgrades. Key improvements included the installation of a brand-new rocker to enhance inclusivity for children of all ages. Maintenance work involved removing tree roots disrupting the rubber soft fall, installing new rubber soft fall, refurbishing the existing fence, refreshing grassy banks with new turf, and repairing and levelling the surrounding paving.



Cleaning up the Waterways

In February 2024, a team from Xylem Water Solutions Australia Limited participated in a rubbish pick-up at Burswood Park as part of their corporate social responsibility program, Xylem Watermark. This program focuses on providing education and equitable access to safe water and sanitation. The team collected several bags of rubbish around the river shoreline.

Lake Maintenance – Installation of Subsurface Aeration System

Burswood Park recently installed a subsurface lake aeration system in the lake in Kagoshima Park to improve water quality and support a sustainable park environment. This system enhances dissolved oxygen levels from the bottom up, promoting beneficial bacteria that break down nutrients and reduce cyanobacteria (algae blooms). The aeration and water movement restore the aquatic ecosystem, benefiting plants, fish, and wildlife, and preventing harmful algal blooms.

The installation included a 3/4hp compressor, manifold, air filter, diffusers, and 300 meters of weighted hosing. The system showed positive results within a week, clearing a red algae bloom without using algaecides or chemicals.



Irrigation

Burswood Park's irrigation system has been undergoing significant maintenance and upgrades to address the ageing infrastructure and ensure the Park's grounds remain well-watered and healthy.



Earthworks and raising of South 9 site

South 9 Earth Works

The entry to the South 9 parkland at Burswood Park, used for large vehicle access during events, often faces waterlogging issues due to its low-lying terrain.

In a sustainable initiative, Burswood Park collaborated with MG Group, the constructors of the Matagarup Mini Golf in the Park. MG Group needed to remove and dispose of 500m² of soil and grass for their project. Instead of disposing of this excess soil, it was repurposed to elevate the low-lying entry area, solving the waterlogging issue.

This collaboration saved MG Group on disposal costs and provided Burswood Park with an environmentally friendly solution.

To enhance safety for large trucks and vehicles entering Camfield Drive due to increased event activity on the South 9, Burswood Park Board Operations undertook improvements. The original boom gate was moved back six meters, and 150mm reinforced concrete pads were laid on a limestone base.

Additionally, the driveway wings were widened, allowing better access for the largest trucks and eliminating the need for tight turns and navigating over a semi-mountable curb.

Birdlife and Fauna

Burswood Park is home to many indigenous species of bird life. During spring many of the birds around the parkland have young chicks.

This season we have seen a high population of water birds returning to the parklands and creating new nests. The operations and grounds teams are aware of the nest locations and consciously plan maintenance activities around them.

Accessibility

Seven additional ACROD parking bays have been line marked in the north-west corner of Carpark 6. These were installed to allow access for people with disabilities greater access to events on the South 9.



STRATEGIC INITIATIVE 3

A dynamic and responsive organisation

- Attract people who align with our values and reflect the community we serve.
- A professional organisation with contemporary and reliable systems that improve our capability and responsiveness.
- Advocate for and promote the Park and the broader Peninsula.
- Optimise funding and partnership opportunities.
- Responsibly manage assets and infrastructure across the Park.

Workforce Review and Recruitment

Burswood Park Board has continued to drive strategic initiatives to improve, enhance and adapt the Park for public enjoyment through creating a dynamic and responsive organisation. There were a significant number of staff movements, and a structure change, within our small team throughout the year, with a continued focus on employing staff who align with our values and reflect the community we serve.

Work Health and Safety System Implementation and Improvements

A significant amount of work was completed throughout the year to ensure Burswood Park Board is compliant with the changes to the *Work Health and Safety Act 2020* and *Work Health and Safety Regulations 2022*.

The Burswood Park Board Safety Committee met regularly throughout the year to embed improvements in our Work Health and Safety systems. The committee continued to focus on enhancing our safety culture, ensuring compliance, and driving proactive safety measures across all levels of the organisation.



Governance, Strategy, People and Compliance

**Aug
23**

Appointments

Town of Victoria Park
nominated Board
representative

**Sep
23**

Staff Development

Diverse WA Cultural
Competency Online
Training

Office and
Multicultural
Interests resources
and engagement

**Oct
23**

Appointments

ARC Two Year
Term Extensions

**Feb
24**

Risk Management

Internal Audit

Compliance

Office of
Digital Government
Essential 8
Project Launch

**Dec
23**

Compliance

Employee Conditions
Handbook

**Nov
23**

Appointments

Corporate Affairs
Manager

Corporate Services
Manager

Finance
Coordinator

**May
24**

Appointments

Minister for
Environment
nominated Board
representative

Risk Management

External Audit

Staff Development

Mental Health
Awareness,
Blue Tree Project

**June
24**

Appointments

ARC Board
Representative
Appointment

Compliance

Record Keeping
Plan Review
approved by
the Records
Commissioner

Blue Tree Project

In May 2024 Burswood Park Board had the pleasure of spending the day with the Blue Tree Project team to paint a tree blue and discuss the importance of mental health.

Kendall Whyte, CEO and Founder of Blue Tree Project, delivered a session about mental health awareness and how the team can continue to recognise and respond to mental health challenges within the organisation and wider community.

Following the session, the team came together to paint a dead tree blue in Burswood Park, giving it a “blue lease on life”. Located along the pathway between Crown and Optus Stadium, the tree will serve as a visual reminder to check in on one another and destigmatise conversations around asking for help when it comes to mental health.

We recognise the positive influence our parklands have on our community, and we hope this bright blue tree helps to ignite more life-saving conversations.



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Feedback and Complaints Handling

Burswood Park Board values its stakeholders and customer feedback and is committed to actively monitoring and reviewing feedback of its many offerings and amenities. Feedback is received via a range of communication channels including face-to-face, email, letters, telephone and social media.

Social media has been an increasingly common platform for patron feedback throughout 2023-2024, due to its accessibility and user-friendly function.

Burswood Park has built an active community across social media platforms such as Facebook, Instagram and YouTube. Many users rely on social media to provide feedback in the form of comments, direct messages, tags, mentions, reposts and check ins. Burswood Park regularly monitors and responds to feedback on social media platforms, to ensure that all queries are acknowledged and resolved in an appropriate and timely manner.

In 2023-2024, Burswood Park received most of its positive feedback in relation to the Parks natural facilities, with a considerable number of patrons commending Burswood Park's natural offerings including lakes and walking trails.

Another active topic of discussion within the Park was patron accessibility, specifically during construction periods. Feedback voiced on social media was passed directly on to the Board and resulted in immediate improvements to alternative pathways and redirection signage.

Feedback provides Burswood Park Board with a valuable insight into visitor and user experience, and we work to ensure that queries are consistently responded to and evaluated to improve the Park's services and overall patron experience.

Digital Engagement

Over the 2023-24 financial year, Burswood Park has significantly increased its use of digital and social platforms to engage with visitors, event patrons, and the broader community. A strategic approach to social media, combining organic and paid posts, has led to a considerable increase in engagement.

Consistent organic posting has resulted in impressive metrics, with paid advertisements also showing positive outcomes, achieving high reach and impressions.

Notably, LinkedIn has proven effective in promoting Burswood Park's 20 Year Vision, with high engagement rates demonstrating resonance with the professional and industry audience demographics.

Events Strategy 2024 – 2028

The Events Strategy for Burswood Park provides the strategic framework for guiding the Park's event activities. It provides the Board with clear directions for its planning, delivery, decision-making and support for events within the Park. The Strategy also establishes a pathway to optimise the outcomes and resources associated with identifying, attracting, delivering, and supporting community and major events hosted within Burswood Park. It emphasises the importance of events in fostering community spirit, aiming to offer diverse and inclusive programming that appeals to a broad range of visitors.

The Strategy highlights the Board's commitment to enhancing visitor experiences and community connections through strategic planning, collaboration, and innovation.

The Events Strategy is aligned with the Strategic Direction 2030, focusing on:

- Activating and enhancing the vibrancy of the Park within the Peninsula.
- Ensuring the Park's safety and sustainability.

Partnerships Celebrate WA

Burswood Park Board was again delighted to support this year's **WA Day Festival** as the Premier Festival Partner, scheduled to be held in Burswood Park on the 2nd and 3rd of June 2024.

Unfortunately, the two-day festival was cancelled due to heavy rainfall in the lead up to the event, saturating the South 9 parkland. Forecasts of worsening weather saw event organisers, Celebrate WA prioritise public safety, cancelling the event with the festival to be rescheduled for a future date.



Seniors Recreation Council of WA

In 1993 Burswood Park Board invited the Seniors Recreation Council of WA to host their annual Have a Go Day in Burswood Park and has been a proud sponsor of this community event ever since.

The 31st annual **Have a Go Day**, a Live Lighter Event was held in the grounds of Burswood Park on 15 November 2023 with over 14,000 in attendance. With free activities and an abundance of information aimed at creating awareness around the importance of seniors leading active lives, participants were encouraged to have a go at activities including seated volleyball, canoeing, riding on a trishaw, laser pistol shooting, petanque, pickle ball, disc golf, and metal detecting.



Equestrian in the Park

Burswood Park Board supported Equestrian in the Park for its fourth year. A not for profit, pinnacle show jumping event that attracts the best riders from WA, interstate and internationally was held on 25 November 2023. The event featured over 100 competitors and 2,000 attendees, who had the option to enjoy the event in stylishly appointed marquees, or relax in the Family Zone, just metres away from the best horses and riders in the country.



Perth Running Festival

Burswood Park Board entered into a three-year sponsorship agreement with the Perth Running Festival in 2023. The 2023 Perth Running Festival, held on 7 October, saw 9,405 participants run a scenic course starting at Optus Stadium, around the Swan River, through Elizabeth Quay and Burswood Parklands with all participants finishing inside Optus Stadium.

With a wide range of races, including the Burswood Park 4km Dash, a 10km race, a half marathon, and a full marathon (42.2 km) there was a run to suit everyone.

The full marathon was notably the largest in WA history and saw a huge attendance. Runners from 36 nations took part, coming from as far as Argentina, Bulgaria, Canada, Mexico, Ireland and China, with participation from every Australian State and Territory.

The festival included the Education Minister's Running Challenge, which motivated public and private school students across WA to engage in regular fitness activities. This initiative saw 1,343 students logging 11,108 activities, equating to 352 days of physical activity, and successfully earning them free entry to the festival.



Charity Events

The Board was pleased to support and host numerous charity events, and work with a variety of charities conducting fun runs, walks and rides around the greater Perth area by allowing them to utilise sections of the path along the foreshore in Burswood Park.

This included the Mother's Day Classic – a day to celebrate, remember, and fight back against breast and ovarian cancers, Two Feet and A Heartbeat, the annual Walk for Prems, Ride and Stride for Sarcoma, MACA Cancer 200 Ride, One Walk for Type One Diabetes,

the Walk for Women's Cancer – raising funds for the Harry Perkins Institute of Medical Research, the Memory Walk & Jog for dementia, Cars for Charity, a car meet focused on fundraising for a number of local charities, the Walk for Lifeline, and the Walk to defeat MND.

Over \$13,270,470 was raised for all the worthy causes holding events in and around Burswood Park.



Strategic Asset Management Plan 2025 - 2028

Burswood Park Board approved its first Strategic Asset Management Plan (SAMP) which outlines a comprehensive framework to effectively manage, maximise and optimise its diverse range of assets. The SAMP aims to ensure the longevity, functionality, and value of Burswood Park's assets while aligning with the Board's broader vision and objectives.

Asset Management

BBQ Upgrades


Seven BBQ cooktops and lids were recently replaced as part of our rolling asset replacement program. The program ensures we continue to deliver on our commitment to provide a 'safe and sustainable park' and 'consistently provide quality standards in facilities and park management and presentation'.

The 7 new cooktops installed, deliver industry-leading cooking performance and improved energy efficiency over the previous models.



New Drink Fountains

Two old drink fountains were replaced with new, wheelchair-accessible FlexiFlountains, featuring anti-bacterial bottle refill nozzles and robust, vandal-resistant designs. These replaced water fountains are part of our rolling asset replacement program, which also included installing new drainage soak wells.



As custodian to this valuable community asset, the Board recognises the need for a strategic approach to asset management that takes into account the Park's dynamic environment, evolving user needs, and sustainable practices.

GRANT FUNDING



Burswood Park Board continued to support the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions' initiatives for the Swan and Canning rivers. In the 2023-24 financial year, the Board provided \$3 million in grant funding, bringing the total grant funding since 2008 to \$53 million.

Swan Canning Riverpark Enhancement Grant Funding

2023 – 2024 FUNDING

SUB-REGIONAL NRM GROUPS

\$580,000

SWAN ALCOA LANDCARE PROGRAM

\$155,000

OXYGENATION PROGRAM

\$1.08M

RIVERBANK PROGRAM

\$845,000

RIVER JOURNEYS INTERPRETATION NODES

\$125,000

DBCA'S RIVERWISE GARDENING WORKSHOPS

\$60,000

RIVERWISE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND EDUCATION INITIATIVES

\$25,000

RIVERS AND ESTUARIES SCIENCE

\$130,000



Image above:
Artificial oxygenation of the Swan River at the Caversham oxygenation plant

Images right:
Rosanna Hindmarsh, Executive Officer Ellen Brockman Integrated Catchment Management celebrating 25 years of Landcare with Jessica Shaw, MLA for Swan Hills and SERCUL staff, community members, the Honourable Reece Whitby, MLA, Minister for Energy, Environment, Climate Action, and Member for Baldivis



Burswood Park Board continued to support the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions' (DBCA) initiatives for the Swan and Canning rivers with \$3 million in grant funding in 2023-24.

This funding supports the Swan Canning River Protection Strategy and Natural Resource Management (NRM) groups, including \$580,000 for water quality projects, such as the Phosphorus Awareness Program in four Swan Canning Catchment subregions. Additionally, \$155,000 was allocated to the Swan Alcoa Landcare Program, enabling 21 community groups to carry out 50 catchment restoration projects across the Swan Canning catchment.

Significant milestones were celebrated by two sub-regional NRM groups: the South East Regional Centre for Urban Landcare marked 20 years, and the Ellen Brockman Integrated Catchment Group celebrated 25 years of partnership with TiWest Joint Venture and the opening of the Chittering Landcare Centre. The Board's grant support since 2008 has been essential in enabling these groups to make vital contributions to river health and biodiversity.



In 2023-24, the Board contributed \$1.08 million to DBCA's Oxygenation Program, which uses large scale artificial oxygenation to increase oxygen levels in vulnerable reaches of the Swan and Canning rivers. In response to extreme heat and low rainfall, additional oxygen was able to be released into the Swan and Canning rivers to provide a critical refuge for aquatic fauna during these times of adverse weather conditions.

DBCAs' Riverbank Program received over \$845,000 from the Board, which significantly contributed to funding 24 foreshore restoration projects for 14 land managers throughout the Swan Canning Riverpark.

The Board and DBCA are collaboratively developing a new interpretation node on the Burswood foreshore, scheduled for completion by Kambarang (late spring 2024). This project forms part of the broader River Journeys Interpretation Nodes Program led by DBCA and will feature a cantilevered jarrah viewing deck with seating, revitalised native landscaping and interpretive signage highlighting ecological and cultural values.

The Burswood interpretation node, co-funded by DBCA and Burswood Park Board, will enhance the foreshore's aesthetic and amenity. It will acknowledge the Whadjuk place name

of Joorolup, as described by Whadjuk elder Noel Nannup, referring to a time when jarrah forests grew in the area right up to the shore of the Derbarl Yerrigan (Swan River).

The Board has also contributed \$125,000 towards future River Journeys Interpretation Nodes, enhancing the Swan Canning Riverpark. Additionally, funding for DBCAs' Rivers and Estuaries Science has supported ongoing research into water quality, hydrology, and ecological health, aiding river management and responses to critical events like harmful algal blooms.



Images: Construction of the Burswood interpretation node and Dr Noel Nannup monitoring for culturally sensitive materials during for the project RiverWise Sustainable Gardening Workshops





RiverWise Sustainable Gardening Workshops



Images: Dr Josh Byrne (ABC), Amber Cunningham (ABC) with Dr Kerry Trayler (DBCA) conducting a live interview on ABC Radio at the River Guardians Festival and a DBCA officer presenting a Dolphin Watch talk at the inaugural River Guardians Festival

Burswood Park Board contributed \$60,000 to fund DBCA RiverWise gardening workshops targeting Perth residents. The 2023-24 series, 'Our Gardens, with Josh Byrne,' delivered during Djilba and Kambarang (spring) 2023, attracted 527 participants. Led by ABC TV's *Gardening Australia* presenter Dr Josh Byrne, these workshops offered advice on creating successful gardens that attract local biodiversity, are resilient to climate change, and promote river health.

Supported by DBCAs' River Guardians program, the workshops targeted gardeners in suburbs with high nutrient runoff into river catchments.

Additionally, the inaugural River Guardians Festival at Sir James Mitchell Park on 20 April 2024, in partnership with ABC Radio, featured 14 stallholders, special guest presenters, and a panel discussion, drawing approximately 300 attendees.

The Board also contributed \$25,000 to help support River Guardians community engagement and education initiatives including Dolphin Watch and the *Reel it in* fishing line bin project. There are now 2,757 River Guardians members, 1,389 trained Dolphin Watch volunteers and 72 *Reel it in* bins across the Swan Canning Riverpark.



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT



Auditor General

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
2024
The Burswood Park Board**

To the Parliament of Western Australia

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Opinion

I have audited the financial statements of The Burswood Park Board (Board) which comprise:

- the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2024, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended
- notes comprising a summary of material accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In my opinion, the financial statements are:

- based on proper accounts and present fairly, in all material respects, the operating results and cash flows of The Burswood Park Board for the year ended 30 June 2024 and the financial position as at the end of that period
- in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (applicable to Tier 2 Entities), the *Financial Management Act 2006* and the Treasurer's Instructions.

Basis for opinion

I conducted my audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of my report.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

Responsibilities of the Board for the financial statements

The Board is responsible for:

- keeping proper accounts
- preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (applicable to Tier 2 Entities), the *Financial Management Act 2006* and the Treasurer's Instructions
- such internal control as it determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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In preparing the financial statements, the Board is responsible for:

- assessing the entity's ability to continue as a going concern
- disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern
- using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Western Australian Government has made policy or funding decisions affecting the continued existence of the Board.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

As required by the *Auditor General Act 2006*, my responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements. The objectives of my audit are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with 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 statements. 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.

A further description of my responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website. This description forms part of my auditor's report and can be found at https://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf

Report on the audit of controls

Opinion

I have undertaken a reasonable assurance engagement on the design and implementation of controls exercised by The Burswood Park Board. The controls exercised by The Burswood Park Board are those policies and procedures established to ensure that the receipt, expenditure and investment of money, the acquisition and disposal of property, and the incurring of liabilities have been in accordance with the State's financial reporting framework (the overall control objectives).

In my opinion, in all material respects, the controls exercised by The Burswood Park Board are sufficiently adequate to provide reasonable assurance that the controls within the system were suitably designed to achieve the overall control objectives identified as at 30 June 2024, and the controls were implemented as designed as at 30 June 2024.

The Board's responsibilities

The Board is responsible for designing, implementing and maintaining controls to ensure that the receipt, expenditure and investment of money, the acquisition and disposal of property and the incurring of liabilities are in accordance with the *Financial Management Act 2006*, the Treasurer's Instructions and other relevant written law.

Auditor General's responsibilities

As required by the *Auditor General Act 2006*, my responsibility as an assurance practitioner is to express an opinion on the suitability of the design of the controls to achieve the overall control objectives and the implementation of the controls as designed. I conducted my engagement in accordance with Standard on Assurance Engagements ASAE 3150 Assurance Engagements on Controls issued by the Australian Auditing and Assurance Standards Board. That standard requires that I comply with relevant ethical requirements and plan and perform my procedures to obtain reasonable assurance about whether, in all material respects, the controls are suitably designed to achieve the overall control objectives and were implemented as designed.

An assurance engagement involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about the suitability of the controls design to achieve the overall control objectives and the implementation of those controls. The procedures selected depend on my judgement, including an assessment of the risks that controls are not suitably designed or implemented as designed. My procedures included testing the implementation of those controls that I consider necessary to achieve the overall control objectives.

I believe that the evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

Limitations of controls

Because of the inherent limitations of any internal control structure, it is possible that, even if the controls are suitably designed and implemented as designed, once in operation, the overall control objectives may not be achieved so that fraud, error or non-compliance with laws and regulations may occur and not be detected. Any projection of the outcome of the evaluation of the suitability of the design of controls to future periods is subject to the risk that the controls may become unsuitable because of changes in conditions.

Report on the audit of the key performance indicators

Opinion

I have undertaken a reasonable assurance engagement on the key performance indicators of The Burswood Park Board for the year ended 30 June 2024 reported in accordance with *Financial Management Act 2006* and the Treasurer's Instructions (legislative requirements). The key performance indicators are the Under Treasurer-approved key effectiveness indicators and key efficiency indicators that provide performance information about achieving outcomes and delivering services.

In my opinion, in all material respects, the key performance indicators report of The Burswood Park Board for the year ended 30 June 2024 is in accordance with the legislative requirements, and the key performance indicators are relevant and appropriate to assist users to assess the Board's performance and fairly represent indicated performance for the year ended 30 June 2024.

The Board's responsibilities for the key performance indicators

The Board is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the key performance indicators in accordance with the *Financial Management Act 2006* and the Treasurer's Instructions and for such internal controls as the Board determines necessary to enable the preparation of key performance indicators that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the key performance indicators, the Board is responsible for identifying key performance indicators that are relevant and appropriate, having regard to their purpose in accordance with Treasurer's Instruction 904 Key Performance Indicators.

Auditor General's responsibilities

As required by the *Auditor General Act 2006*, my responsibility as an assurance practitioner is to express an opinion on the key performance indicators. The objectives of my engagement are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the key performance indicators are relevant and appropriate to assist users to assess the entity's performance and whether the key performance indicators are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. I conducted my engagement in accordance with Standard on Assurance Engagements ASAE 3000 Assurance Engagements Other than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information issued by the Australian Auditing and Assurance Standards Board. That standard requires that I comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to assurance engagements.

An assurance engagement involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the key performance indicators. It also involves evaluating the relevance and appropriateness of the key performance indicators against the criteria and guidance in Treasurer's Instruction 904 for measuring the extent of outcome achievement and the efficiency of service delivery. The procedures selected depend on my judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the key performance indicators. In making these risk assessments, I obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the engagement in order to design procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances.

I believe that the evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

My independence and quality management relating to the report on financial statements, controls and key performance indicators

I have complied with the independence requirements of the *Auditor General Act 2006* and the relevant ethical requirements relating to assurance engagements. In accordance with ASQM 1 Quality Management for Firms that Perform Audits or Reviews of Financial Reports and Other Financial Information, or Other Assurance or Related Services Engagements, the Office of the Auditor General maintains a comprehensive system of quality management including documented policies and procedures regarding compliance with ethical requirements, professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements.

Other information

The Board is responsible for the other information. The other information is the information in the entity's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2024, but not the financial statements, key performance indicators and my auditor's report.

My opinions on the financial statements, controls and key performance indicators does not cover the other information and accordingly I do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with my audit of the financial statements, controls and key performance indicators my responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements and key performance indicators or my knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work I have performed, I conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, I am required to report that fact. I did not receive the other information prior to the date of this auditor's report. When I do receive it, I will read it and if I conclude that there is a material misstatement in this information, I am required to communicate the matter to those charged with governance and request them to correct the misstated information. If the misstated information is not corrected, I may need to retract this auditor's report and re-issue an amended report.

Matters relating to the electronic publication of the audited financial statements and key performance indicators

This auditor's report relates to the financial statements and key performance indicators of The Burswood Park Board for the year ended 30 June 2024 included in the annual report on the Board's website. The Board's management is responsible for the integrity of the Board's website. This audit does not provide assurance on the integrity of the Board's website. The auditor's report refers only to the financial statements, controls and key performance indicators described above. It does not provide an opinion on any other information which may have been hyperlinked to/from the annual report. If users of the financial statements and key performance indicators are concerned with the inherent risks arising from publication on a website, they are advised to contact the entity to confirm the information contained in the website version.



Jordan Langford-Smith
Senior Director Financial Audit
Delegate of the Auditor General for Western Australia
Perth, Western Australia
21 August 2024





Certification of Financial Statements

For the reporting period ended 30 June 2024

The accompanying financial statements of the Burswood Park Board have been prepared in compliance with the provisions of the *Financial Management Act 2006* from proper accounts and records to present fairly the financial transactions for the reporting period ended 30 June 2024 and the financial position as at 30 June 2024.

At the date of signing we are not aware of any circumstances which would render the particulars included within the financial statements misleading or inaccurate.

John McGrath
PRESIDENT
21 AUGUST 2024

Linda Kut
CHIEF EXECUTIVE
21 AUGUST 2024

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the year ended 30 June 2024

	NOTES	2024	2023
Cost of Services		\$	\$
Expenses			
Employee benefits expenses	3.1(a)	1,454,373	1,278,993
Supplies and services	3.4	523,433	333,603
Depreciation	5.1.1	500,041	497,432
Ground maintenance	3.3	2,201,639	1,832,452
Other expenses	3.4	1,446,204	1,042,866
Grants	3.2	4,080,000	3,000,000
Finance costs	7.4	764	891
Loss on disposal of non-current assets	4.5	-	170,811
Asset revaluation decrement	5.1	-	-
Total expense		10,206,454	8,157,048
Income			
Trustee payments	4.2	8,519,759	8,079,383
Interest	4.3	807,498	402,870
Other revenue	4.4	795,195	170,164
Total income		10,122,452	8,652,417
Net income/(costs) of services		(84,002)	495,369
Income from State Government			
Income from other public sector entities	4.1	77,545	1,031,102
Resources received free of charge	4.1	9,868	50,198
Total income from State Government		87,413	1,081,300
Surplus/(deficit) for the period		3,411	1,576,669
Other comprehensive income			
Changes in asset revaluation surplus	5.1	563,277	29,926
Total other comprehensive income		563,277	29,926
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period		566,688	1,606,595

The Statement of comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 30 June 2024

	NOTES	2024	2023
		\$	\$
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	7.1	9,510,161	18,570,728
Receivables	6.1	845,690	724,524
Financial assets at amortised cost	6.2	6,197,984	-
Other current assets	6.3	63,837	46,529
Non-current assets classified as held for distribution to owners	9.7	3,995,427	3,995,427
Total Current Assets		20,613,099	23,337,208
Non-Current Assets			
Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment	5.1	15,118,580	11,335,809
Right-of-use assets	5.2	16,008	21,957
Total Non-Current Assets		15,134,588	11,357,766
Total assets		35,747,687	34,694,974
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Payables	6.4	236,056	211,663
Employee related provisions	3.1(b)	373,401	295,053
Other current liabilities		7,350	261
Lease liabilities	7.3	5,454	5,773
Total Current Liabilities		622,261	512,750
Non-Current Liabilities			
Employee related provisions	3.1(b)	45,664	90,696
Lease liabilities	7.3	11,311	16,765
Total Non-Current Liabilities		56,975	107,461
Total Liabilities		679,236	620,211
Net Assets		35,068,451	34,074,763
Equity			
Contributed equity	9.8	3,492,406	3,065,406
Reserves	9.8	767,035	203,758
Accumulated surplus		30,809,010	30,805,599
Total equity		35,068,451	34,074,763

The Statement of financial position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the year ended 30 June 2024

	NOTE	CONTRIBUTED EQUITY	RESERVES	ACCUMULATED SURPLUS	TOTAL EQUITY
		\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance at 1 July 2022		3,065,406	173,832	29,228,930	32,468,168
Surplus/(deficit) for the period		-	-	1,576,669	1,576,669
Other comprehensive income		-	29,926	-	29,926
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period		-	29,926	1,576,669	1,606,595
Balance at 1 July 2023	9.8	3,065,406	203,758	30,805,599	34,074,763
Surplus/(deficit) for the period		-	-	3,411	3,411
Other comprehensive income		-	563,277	-	563,277
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period		-	563,277	3,411	566,688
<i>Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:</i>					
Capital appropriation		427,000	-	-	427,000
Total		427,000	-	-	427,000
Balance as at 30 June 2024	9.8	3,492,406	767,035	30,809,010	35,068,451

The Statement of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the year ended 30 June 2024

	NOTES	2024	2023
Cash flows from State Government		\$	\$
Funds from other public sector entities		510,561	1,553,909
Net cash provided by State Government		510,561	1,553,909
Cash flows from operating activities			
Payments			
Employee benefits		(1,421,057)	(1,162,832)
Supplies and services		4,129,926	(3,167,421)
Grant		(4,080,000)	(3,000,000)
Finance costs		-	(891)
GST payments on purchases		(883,688)	(451,209)
Receipts			
Interest received		790,190	363,102
Trustee payments		8,519,759	8,048,642
GST receipts on sales		33,536	138,648
GST receipts from taxation authority		722,970	339,184
Other receipts		795,195	66,799
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities		346,979	1,174,022
Cash flows from investing activities			
Payments			
Purchase of non-current assets		(3,719,535)	(1,338,822)
Transfer (to)/from investments		(6,197,984)	-
Receipts			
Receipts from term deposits		-	-
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities		(9,917,519)	(1,338,822)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Payments			
Principal elements of lease payments		(588)	(4,632)
Net cash provided by/(used in) financing activities		(588)	(4,632)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(9,060,567)	1,384,477
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period		18,570,728	17,186,251
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	7.1	9,510,161	18,570,728

The Statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

1. Basis of preparation

Burswood Park Board is a WA Government entity and is controlled by a board of members. The Board is a not-for-profit entity (as profit is not its principal objective).

A description of the nature of its operations and its principal activities have been included in the 'Overview' which does not form part of these financial statements.

These annual financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board on 21 August 2024.

Statement of compliance

These general purpose financial statements comply with Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures. The general purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, the Framework, Statement of Accounting Concepts and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board as applied by Treasurer's instructions. Several of these are modified by Treasurer's instructions to vary application, disclosure, format and wording.

The Act and Treasurer's instructions are legislative provisions governing the preparation of financial statements and take precedence over Australian Accounting Standards, the Framework, Statement of Accounting Concepts and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board. Where modification is required and has had a material or significant financial effect upon the reported results, details of that modification and the resulting financial effect are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

Basis of preparation

These financial statements are presented in Australian dollars applying the accrual basis of accounting and using the historical cost convention. Certain balances will apply a different measurement basis (such as the fair value basis). Where this is the case the different measurement basis is disclosed in the associated note. All values are rounded to the nearest dollar.

Accounting for Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Income, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except that the:

- (a) amount of GST incurred by the Board as a purchaser that is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) is recognised as part of an asset's cost of acquisition or as part of an item of expense; and
- (b) receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST included.

Cash flows are included in the Statement of cash flows on a gross basis. However, the GST components of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO are classified as operating cash flows.

Contributed equity

Interpretation 1038 *Contributions by Owners Made to Wholly-Owned Public Sector Entities* requires transfers in the nature of equity contributions, other than as a result of a restructure of administrative arrangements, as designated as contributions by owners (at the time of, or prior to, transfer) be recognised as equity contributions. Capital appropriations have been designated as contributions by owners by TI 955 *Contributions by Owners made to Wholly Owned Public Sector Entities* and have been credited directly to Contributed Equity.

Comparative information

Except when an Australian Accounting Standard permits or requires otherwise, comparative information is presented in respect of the previous period for all amounts reported in the financial statements. AASB 1060 provides relief from presenting comparatives for:

- Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment reconciliations; and
- Right-of-Use Asset reconciliations.

Judgements and estimates

Judgements, estimates and assumptions are required to be made about financial information being presented. The significant judgements and estimates made in the preparation of these financial statements are disclosed in the notes where amounts affected by those judgements and/or estimates are disclosed. Estimates and associated assumptions are based on professional judgements derived from historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

2. Board outputs

	NOTES
Board objectives	2.1

2.1 Board objectives

Purpose

We exist to improve, enhance and adapt the Park for the purposes of public recreation, health and enjoyment.

Vision

A gathering place for shared stories and meaningful connections to land, heritage, culture and each other.

Strategies

- An activated and vibrant Park, within the boundaries of the Peninsula.
- A safe and sustainable Park.
- A dynamic and responsive organisation.

3. Use of our funding

Expenses incurred in the delivery of services

This section provides additional information about how the Board's funding is applied and the accounting policies that are relevant for an understanding of the items recognised in the financial statements. The primary expenses incurred by the Board in achieving its objectives and the relevant notes are:

	NOTES
Employee benefits expenses	3.1(a)
Employee related provisions	3.1(b)
Grants	3.2
Ground maintenance	3.3
Other expenditure	3.4

3.1(a) Employee benefits expenses

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Employee benefits	1,303,889	1,161,511
Superannuation - defined contributions plans	150,484	117,482
Total employee benefits expenses	1,454,373	1,278,993
Add: AASB 16 Non-monetary benefits (not included in employee benefits expense)	6,712	9,430
Total employee benefits provided	1,461,085	1,288,423

Employee benefits: include wages, salaries and social contributions, accrued and paid leave entitlements and paid sick leave, and non-monetary benefits recognised under accounting standards other than AASB 16 (such as medical care, housing, cars and free or subsidised goods or services) for employees.

Termination benefits: are payable when employment is terminated before normal retirement date, or when an employee accepts an offer of benefits in exchange for the termination of employment. Termination benefits are recognised when the Board is demonstrably committed to terminating the employment of current employees according to a detailed formal plan without possibility of withdrawal or providing termination benefits as a result of an offer made to encourage voluntary redundancy. Benefits falling due more than 12 months after the end of the reporting period are discounted to present value.

Superannuation: is the amount recognised in profit or loss of the Statement of comprehensive income comprises employer contributions paid to the GSS (concurrent contributions), the WSS, other GESB schemes or other superannuation funds.

AASB 16 non-monetary benefits: are non-monetary employee benefits, predominantly relating to the provision of vehicle benefits that are measured under AASB 16 and are excluded from the employee benefits expense.

3.1(b) Employee related provisions

	2024	2023
Current	\$	\$
Annual leave	175,634	153,253
Long service leave	195,283	136,884
	370,917	290,137
<u>Other provisions</u>		
Employment on-costs	2,484	4,916
Total current employee related provisions	373,401	295,053
Non-Current		
<u>Employee benefits provisions</u>		
Long service leave	44,880	89,185
<u>Other provisions</u>		
Employment on-costs	784	1,511
Total non-current employee related provisions	45,664	90,696
Total employee related provisions	419,065	385,749

Provision is made for benefits accruing to employees in respect of annual leave and long service leave for services rendered up to the reporting date and recorded as an expense during the period the services are delivered.

Annual leave liabilities: are classified as current as there is no unconditional right to defer settlement for at least 12 months after the end of the reporting period. Annual leave is not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months after the end of the reporting period.

The provision for annual leave is calculated at the present value of expected payments to be made in relation to services provided by employees up to the reporting date.

Long service leave liabilities: are unconditional long service leave provisions are classified as current liabilities as the Board does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the end of the reporting period.

Pre-conditional and conditional long service leave provisions are classified as non-current liabilities because the Board has an unconditional right to defer the settlement of the liability until the employee has completed the requisite years of service.

The provision for long service leave is calculated at present value as the Board does not expect to wholly settle the amounts within 12 months. The present value is measured taking into account the present value of expected future payments to be made in relation to services provided by employees up to the reporting date. These payments are estimated using the remuneration rate expected to apply at the time of settlement, and discounted using market yields at the end of the reporting period on national government bonds with terms to maturity that match, as closely as possible, the estimated future cash outflows.

Employment on-costs: involve settlements of annual and long service leave liabilities which gives rise to the payment of employment on-costs including workers' compensation insurance. The provision is the present value of expected future payments.

Employment on-costs, including workers' compensation insurance, are not employee benefits and are recognised separately as liabilities and expenses when the employment to which they relate has occurred. Employment on-costs are included as part of 'Other expenditure', Note 3.4 (apart from the unwinding of the discount (finance cost) and are not included as part of the Board's 'employee benefits expense'. The related liability is included in 'Employment on-costs provision'.

Employment on-cost provision

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Carrying amount at start of year	6,427	3,032
Additional provisions recognised	(3,159)	3,395
Payments/other sacrifices of economic benefits	-	-
Carrying amount at end of period	3,268	6,427

Key sources of estimation uncertainty – long service leave

Key estimates and assumptions concerning the future are based on historical experience and various other factors that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

Several estimates and assumptions are used in calculating the Board's long service leave provision. These include:

- expected future salary rates;
- discount rates;
- employee retention rates; and
- expected future payments.

Changes in these estimations and assumptions may impact on the carrying amount of the long service leave provision. Any gain or loss following revaluation of the present value of long service leave liabilities is recognised as employee benefits expense.

3.2 Grants

Pursuant to paragraphs (c) and (e) of the State Agreement scheduled to the Casino (Burswood Island) Agreement Act 1985 (WA), the Board made grants for the following projects:

Recurrent	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions Enhancements to the Swan and Canning River	3,480,000	3,000,000
Perth Running Festival	600,000	-
Total grants	4,080,000	3,000,000

Transactions in which the Board provides goods, services, assets (or extinguishes a liability) or labour to another party without receiving approximately equal value in return are categorised as 'Grant expenses'. These payments or transfers are recognised at fair value at the time of the transaction and recognised as an expense in the reporting period in which they are paid. They include transactions such as : grants, subsidies, personal benefit payments made in cash to individuals, other transfer payments made to public sector agencies, local government, non-government schools and community groups.

The Board is not responsible for administering a government subsidy scheme.

3.3 Ground maintenance

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Ground maintenance	2,201,639	1,832,452
Total ground maintenance expenses	2,201,639	1,832,452

3.4 Other expenditure

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Supplies and services		
Communications	49,553	46,840
Contractors	376,611	248,355
Consumables	19,083	22,257
Other administration costs	78,186	16,151
Total supplies and services expenses	523,433	333,603
Other		
Advertising and promotion	160,754	55,424
Utilities costs	160,547	146,016
Repairs and maintenance	301,813	162,018
Cleaning	48,090	44,480
Event costs	253,720	293,105
Foreshore remediation	203,752	57,265
Carpark maintenance	95,517	70,526
Minor assets	46,220	64,656
Vehicle lease	10,520	8,238
Other staff costs	44,590	18,122
Audit fees	42,491	42,227
Insurance	76,496	70,790
Other	1,694	9,999
Total other expenses	1,446,204	1,042,866
Total other expenditure	1,969,637	1,376,469

Supplies and services are recognised as an expense in the reporting period in which they are incurred. The carrying amounts of any materials held for distribution are expensed when the materials are distributed.

Repairs and Maintenance are recognised as expenses as incurred, except where they relate to the replacement of a significant component of an asset. In that case, the costs are capitalised and depreciated.

Other operating expenses generally represent the day-to-day running costs incurred in normal operations.

Employee on-cost includes workers' compensation insurance and other employment on-costs. The on-costs liability associated with the recognition of annual and long service leave liabilities is included at Note 3.1(b) Employee related provisions. Superannuation contributions accrued as part of the provision for leave are employee benefits and are not included in employment on-costs.

4. Our funding sources

How we obtain our funding

This section provides additional information about how the Board obtains its funding and the relevant accounting policy notes that govern the recognition and measurement of this funding. The primary income received by the Board and the relevant notes are:

	NOTES
Income from State Government	4.1
Trustee payments	4.2
Interest revenue	4.3
Other revenue	4.4
Loss on disposal	4.5

4.1 Income from State Government

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Income received from other public sector entities during the period:		
Main Roads - maintenance agreement	75,039	67,333
Main Roads - hydraulic sewer project	2,506	160,639
Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attraction - foreshore upgrade project	-	803,130
Total income from other public sector entities	77,545	1,031,102
Resources received from other public sector entities during the period:		
Services received free of charge	9,868	50,198
Total resources received	9,868	50,198
Total income from State Government	87,413	1,081,300

Income from other public sector entities are recognised as income when the Board has satisfied its performance obligations under the funding agreement. If there is no performance obligation, income will be recognised when the Board receives the funds.

Resources received from other public sector entities is recognised as income equivalent to the fair value of assets received, or the fair value of services received that can be reliably determined and which would have been purchased if not donated.

4.2 Trustee payments

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Income Received	8,519,759	8,079,383
Total trustee payments	8,519,759	8,079,383

Trustee payments are in accordance with clause 23(1)(c) of the Casino (Burswood Island) Agreement scheduled to the *Casino (Burswood Island) Agreement Act 1985*.

4.3 Interest revenue

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Interest revenue - Term Deposit	807,498	402,870
Total interest revenue	807,498	402,870

Interest revenue is recognised as the interest accrues.

4.4 Other revenue

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Recoups	49,247	31,197
Event remediation	152,554	74,305
Leases	5,342	4,200
Grounds maintenance - External	124,291	-
Asset Maintenance Funds	440,000	-
Other revenue	23,761	60,462
Total other revenue	795,195	170,164

Revenue is recognised at the transaction price when the Board transfers control of the services to the customer. Revenue is recognised at a point-in-time for maintenance services. The performance obligations for this revenue are satisfied when services have been provided. Invoices are issued following provision of services.

Revenue from Event remediation is recognised in the accounting period in which the relevant performance obligations has been satisfied.

Lease revenue is accounted for applying AASB 16, with the leases classified as operating leases, as the lease does not transfer substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of an underlying asset. Revenue is accounted for on a straight line basis.

4.5 Loss on disposal

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
<u>Carrying amount of non-current assets disposed</u>		
Plant, equipment and vehicles	-	170,811
Loss on disposal of non-current assets	-	170,811

Realised and unrealised gains are usually recognised on a net basis.

Gains and losses on the disposal of non-current assets are presented by deducting from the proceeds on disposal the carrying amount of the asset and related selling expenses. Gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss in the Statement of comprehensive income (from the proceeds of sale).

5. Key assets

This section includes information regarding the key assets the Board utilises to gain economic benefits or provide service potential. The section sets out both the key accounting policies and financial information about the performance of these assets:

	NOTES
Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment	5.1
Depreciation	5.1.1
Right-of-use assets	5.2

5.1 Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment

	PLANT AND EQUIPMENT	BUILDINGS	INFRASTRUCTURE	INFRASTRUCTURE - WIP	LAND	TOTAL
	₹	₹	₹	₹	₹	₹
Year ended 30 June 2024						
Gross carrying amount	472,775	3,313,500	11,111,145	808,520	520,000	16,225,940
Accumulated depreciation	(247,918)	-	(4,642,213)	-	-	(4,890,131)
Carrying amount at start of period	224,857	3,313,500	6,468,932	808,520	520,000	11,335,809
Additions	158,496	504,231	77,306	2,973,553	-	3,713,586
Transfers (a)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reclassification of assets	-	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation	(41,500)	(87,686)	(364,906)	-	-	(494,092)
Revaluation increments	-	563,277	-	-	-	563,277
Carrying amount at the end of period	341,853	4,293,322	6,181,332	3,782,073	520,000	15,118,580
Gross carrying amount	631,271	4,381,008	11,188,451	3,782,073	520,000	20,502,803
Accumulated depreciation	(289,418)	(87,686)	(5,007,119)	-	-	(5,384,223)

Initial recognition

Items of property, plant and equipment and infrastructure, costing \$5,000 or more are measured initially at cost. Where an asset is acquired for no cost or significantly less than fair value, the cost is valued at its fair value at the date of acquisition. Items of property, plant equipment and infrastructure costing less than \$5,000 are immediately expensed direct to the Statement of comprehensive income (other than where they form part of a group of similar items which are significant in total).

Subsequent measurement

Subsequent to initial recognition of an asset, the revaluation model is used for the measurement of:

- land; and
- buildings.

Land is carried at fair value. Buildings are carried at fair value less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

Property, plant and equipment and infrastructure are stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

Land and buildings are independently valued annually by the Western Australian Land Information Authority (Landgate) and recognised annually to ensure that the carrying amount does not differ materially from the asset's fair value at the end of the reporting period.

Land and buildings were revalued as at 1 July 2023 by Landgate. The valuations were performed during the year ended 30 June 2024 and recognised as at 30 June 2024. In undertaking the revaluation, fair value was determined by reference to market values for land: \$520,000 (2023: \$520,000) and buildings: \$3,752,736 (2023: \$3,313,500).

Significant assumptions and judgements: The most significant assumptions and judgements in estimating fair value are made in assessing whether to apply the existing use basis to assets and in determining estimated economic life. Professional judgement by the valuer is required where the evidence does not provide a clear distinction between market type assets and existing use assets.

5.1.1. Depreciation

Charge for the period

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
<u>Depreciation</u>		
Plant and equipment	41,500	54,550
Buildings	87,686	83,595
Infrastructure	364,906	350,748
Right-of-use assets	5,949	8,539
Total depreciation for the period	500,041	497,432

As at 30 June 2024, there were no indications of impairment to property, plant and equipment or infrastructure.

All surplus assets at 30 June 2024 have been classified as assets held for sale.

Useful lives

All infrastructure, property, plant and equipment having a limited useful life are systematically depreciated over their estimated useful lives in a manner that reflects the consumption of their future economic benefits. The exceptions to this rule is land and assets held for distribution.

Depreciation is generally calculated on a straight line basis, at rates that allocate the asset's value, less any estimated residual value, over its estimated useful life. Typical estimated useful lives for the different asset classes for current and prior years included in the table below:

ASSET	ASSET USEFUL LIVES
Buildings	30 to 85 years
Plant and Equipment	3 to 25 years
Infrastructure	10 to 100 years

The estimated useful lives, residual values and depreciation method are reviewed at the end of each annual reporting period, and adjustments should be made where appropriate.

Land, which is considered to have an indefinite life, is not depreciated.

Depreciation is not recognised in respect of these assets because their service potential has not, in any material sense, been consumed during the reporting period.

Impairment

Property, plant and equipment and infrastructure are tested for impairment whenever there is an indication that the asset maybe impaired. Where the recoverable amount is less than the carrying amount, the asset is considered impaired and is written down to the recoverable amount and an impairment loss is recognised.

Where an asset measured at cost is written down to recoverable amount the loss is recognised in profit or loss.

Where a previously revalued asset is written down to recoverable amount, the loss is recognised as a revaluation decrement in other comprehensive income.

If there is an indication that there has been a reversal in impairment, the carrying amount shall be increased to its recoverable amount. However this reversal should not increase the asset's carrying amount above what would have been determined, net of depreciation or amortisation, if no impairment loss had been recognised in prior years.

5.2 Right-of-use assets

	VEHICLES	TOTAL
	\$	\$
Carrying amount at beginning of period	21,957	21,957
Additions	-	-
Depreciation	(5,949)	(5,949)
Net carrying amount as at end of period	16,008	16,008

The Board has leases for vehicles, office and residential housing. The lease contracts are typically made for fixed periods of 1-10 years with an option to renew the lease after that date.

Initial recognition

At the commencement date of the lease, the Board recognises right-of-use assets and a corresponding lease liability for most leases. The right-of-use assets are measured at cost comprising of:

- the amount of the initial measurement of lease liability;
- any lease payments made at or before the commencement date less any lease incentives received;
- any initial direct costs; and
- restoration costs, including dismantling and removing the underlying asset.

The corresponding lease liabilities in relation to these right-of-use assets have been disclosed in note 7.3.

The Board has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for short-term leases (with a lease term of 12 months or less) and low value leases (with an underlying value of \$5,000 or less). Lease payments associated with these leases are expensed over a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Subsequent measurement

The cost model is applied for subsequent measurement of right-of-use assets, requiring the asset to be carried at cost less any accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses and adjusted for any re-measurement of lease liability.

Depreciation and impairment of right-of-use assets

Right-of-use assets are generally depreciated on a straight line basis over the shorter of the lease term and the estimated useful lives of the underlying assets.

If ownership of the leased asset transfers to the Board at the end of the lease term or the cost reflects the exercise of a purchase option, depreciation is calculated using the estimated useful life of the asset.

Right-of-use assets are tested for impairment when an indication of impairment is identified. The policy in connection with testing for impairment is outlined in note 5.1.1.

6. Other assets and liabilities

This section sets out those assets and liabilities that arose from the Board's controlled operations and includes other assets utilised for economic benefits and liabilities incurred during normal operations:

	NOTES
Receivables	6.1
Financial assets at amortised cost	6.2
Other current assets	6.3
Payables	6.4

6.1 Receivables

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
<u>Current</u>		
Receivables	711,761	717,777
GST receivable	133,929	6,747
Total receivables at the end of the period	845,690	724,524

Trade receivables are recognised at original invoice amount less any allowances for uncollectible amounts (i.e. impairment). The carrying amount of net trade receivables is equivalent to fair value as it is due for settlement within 30 days.

6.2 Financial assets at amortised cost

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
<u>Current</u>		
Term deposit with maturity period greater than 3 months	6,197,984	-

6.3 Other current assets

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
<u>Current</u>		
Accrued Interest	63,837	46,529
Total other assets at the end of the period	63,837	46,529

6.4 Payables

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
<u>Current</u>		
Accrued expenses	182,199	184,135
Accrued salaries	53,249	26,920
Accrued superannuation	608	608
Total payables at the end of the period	236,056	211,663

Payables are recognised at the amounts payable when the Board becomes obliged to make future payments as a result of a purchase of assets or services. The carrying amount is equivalent to fair value as settlement for the Board is generally 15-20 days.

Accrued salaries represent the amount due to staff but unpaid at the end of the reporting period. Accrued salaries are settled within a fortnight after the reporting period. The Board considers the carrying amount of accrued salaries to be equivalent to its fair value.

7. Financing

This section sets out the material balances and disclosures associated with the financing and cash flows of the Board.

	NOTES
Cash and cash equivalents	7.1
Capital commitments	7.2
Leases Liabilities	7.3
Finance costs	7.4

7.1 Cash and cash equivalents

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Petty cash on hand	-	115
Term deposit	9,000,000	12,059,423
Cash at bank	510,161	6,511,190
Balance at end of the period	9,510,161	18,570,728

For the purpose of the Statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalent assets comprise cash on hand and short-term deposits with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and which are subject to insignificant risk of changes in value.

7.2 Capital commitments

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Capital expenditure commitments, being contracted capital expenditure additional to the amounts reported in the financial statements, are payable as follows:		
Within 1 year	615,000	2,564,638
Later than 1 year and not later than five years	-	41,944
	615,000	2,606,582

The totals presented for capital commitments are GST inclusive.

7.3 Leases

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Lease liabilities		
Not later than one year	5,454	5,773
Later than one year and not later than five years	11,311	16,765
Later than five years	-	-
	16,765	22,538
Current	5,454	5,773
Non-current	11,311	16,765
Total lease liabilities	16,765	22,538

The Board has leases for vehicles. The lease contracts are typically made for fixed periods of 1 - 10 years with an option to renew the lease after that date.

Lease payments included by the Board as part of the present value calculation of lease liability include:

- fixed payments (including in-substance fixed payments), less any lease incentives receivable;
- variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate initially measured using the index or rate as at the commencement date;
- amounts expected to be payable by the lessee under residual value guarantees;
- the exercise price of purchase options (where these are reasonably certain to be exercised);
- payments for penalties for terminating a lease, where the lease term reflects the Board exercising an option to terminate the lease.
- periods covered by extension or termination options are only included in the lease term by the Board if the lease is reasonably certain to be extended (or not terminated).

The interest on the lease liability is recognised in profit or loss over the lease term so as to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability for each period. Lease liabilities do not include any future changes in variable lease payments (that depend on an index or rate) until they take effect, in which case the lease liability is reassessed and adjusted against the right-of-use asset.

Variable lease payments, not included in the measurement of lease liability, that are dependent on sales an index or a rate are recognised by the Board in profit or loss in the period in which the condition that triggers those payment occurs.

Subsequent measurement

Lease liabilities are measured by increasing the carrying amount to reflect interest on the lease liabilities; reducing the carrying amount to reflect the lease payments made; and remeasuring the carrying amount at amortised cost, subject to adjustments to reflect any reassessment or lease modifications.

This section should be read in conjunction with note 5.2.

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Lease expense recognised in the Statement of comprehensive income		
Lease interest expense	764	891
Low-value leases	950	871
Total lease expense	1,714	1,762

Short-term leases are recognised on a straight-line basis with a lease term of 12 months or less.

Low-value leases with an underlying value of \$5,000 or less are recognised on a straight-line basis.

Variable lease payments that are not included in the measurement of the lease liability recognised in the period in which the event or condition that triggers those payments occurs.

7.4 Finance costs

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Finance costs		
Interest expense on lease liabilities	764	891
Finance costs expensed	764	891

Finance cost includes the interest component of lease liability repayments.

8. Financial Instruments and Contingencies

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8.1 Financial Instruments

The carrying amounts of each of the following categories of financial assets and financial liabilities at the end of the reporting period are:

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Financial assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	9,510,161	18,570,728
Financial assets at amortised cost (a)	6,973,582	764,306
Total financial assets	16,483,743	19,335,034
Financial liabilities		
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost (b)	243,406	211,924
Total financial liabilities	243,406	211,924

- a) The amount of financial assets at amortised cost excludes GST recoverable from the ATO (statutory receivable).
- b) The amount of financial liabilities at amortised cost excludes GST payable to the ATO (statutory payable).

All financial assets and liabilities are carried without subsequent remeasurement.

8.2 Contingent assets and liabilities

Contingent assets and contingent liabilities are not recognised in the Statement of financial position but are disclosed and, if quantifiable, are measured at the best estimate.

Contingent assets and liabilities are presented inclusive of GST receivable or payable respectively.

There were no known contingent assets or liabilities at the reporting date.

9. Other disclosures

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9.1 Events occurring after the end of the reporting period

No events have occurred after the reporting date that require disclosure in the financial statements.

9.2 Key management personnel

The Board has determined key management personnel to include cabinet ministers, members of the accountable authority (the Board) and senior officers of the Board. The Board does not incur expenditures to compensate Ministers and those disclosures may be found in the Annual Report on State Finances.

The total fees, salaries, superannuation, non-monetary benefits and other benefits for members of the Board, senior officers of the Board for the reporting period are presented within the following bands:

Compensation of members of the accountable authority

	2024	2023
Compensation band (\$)		
0	1	3
1 - 10,000	5	1
10,001 - 20,000	1	1
	\$	\$
Short-term employee benefits	30,255	17,733
Post-employment benefits	3,328	1,862
Total compensation of members of the accountable authority	33,583	19,595

No senior officers are members of the Pension Scheme.

Compensation of senior officers of the Board

	2024	2023
Compensation band (\$)		
50,001 - 100,000	3	1
100,001 - 150,000	-	2
150,001 - 200,000	1	-
	\$	\$
Short-term employee benefits	439,483	320,120
Post-employment benefits	35,935	32,980
Other long-term benefits	(22,228)	5,032
Total compensation of senior officers of the Board	453,190	358,132
Total compensation of all key management personnel	486,773	377,727

9.3 Related party transactions

The Board is a wholly owned public sector entity that is controlled by the State of Western Australia.

Related parties of the Board include:

- all Cabinet Ministers and close family members, and their controlled or jointly controlled entities;
- all key management personnel and their close family members, and their controlled or jointly controlled entities;
- other departments and statutory authorities, including their related bodies, that are included in the whole of government consolidated financial statements (i.e. wholly-owned public sector entities);
- associates and joint ventures of a wholly-owned public sector entity; and
- the Government Employees Superannuation Board (GESB).

Material transactions with related parties

Outside of normal citizen type transactions with the Board, there were no other related party transactions that involved key management personnel and/or their close family members and/or their controlled (or jointly controlled) entities.

9.4 Related bodies

The Board has no related bodies.

9.5 Affiliated bodies

The Board has no affiliated bodies.

9.6 Remuneration of auditors

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Auditing the accounts, financial statements, controls, and key performance indicators	20,900	19,000

9.7 Non-current assets classified as assets held for distribution to owners

The following table represents a summary of assets held for distribution being 2.7 hectares of land and infrastructure representing the southern portion of Camfield Drive, Resort Drive, Glenn Place and widened roads at the Great Eastern Highway intersection of Resort drive and of Bolton Avenue.

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Opening balance	3,995,427	3,995,427
Assets reclassified as held for distribution to owners		-
Total assets classified as held for distribution to owners	3,995,427	3,995,427
Less assets distributed		-
Closing balance	3,995,427	3,995,427

Non-current assets held for distribution to owners are recognised at the lower of carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell, and are disclosed separately from other assets in the Statement of financial position. Assets classified as held for sale are not depreciated or amortised.

9.8 Equity

The Western Australian Government holds the equity interest in the Board on behalf of the community. Equity represents the residual interest in the net assets of the Board.

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Contributed equity		
Balance at start of period	3,065,406	3,065,406
<i>Contributions by owners</i>		
Capital appropriation	427,000	-
Total contributed equity at end of period	3,492,406	3,065,406
Asset revaluation surplus		
Balance at the start of period	203,758	173,832
<i>Net revaluation increments/(decrements)</i>		
Buildings	563,277	29,926
Total asset revaluation surplus at end of the period	767,035	203,758

Capital appropriation funding to meet cost escalation pressures associated with the Hydraulic Sewer and Principal Shared Path projects.

9.9 Supplementary financial information

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
(a) Write-offs		
During the financial year, nil was written off the Board's books under the authority of:		
The Accountable Authority	-	-
	-	-

9.10 Explanatory statement

The Board is exempt from TI 945 Explanatory Statement as their Total Cost of Services is below \$10 million for the two most recent consecutive comparative periods.

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

Certification of Key Performance Indicators

I hereby certify that the key performance indicators are based on proper records, are relevant and appropriate for assisting users to assess Burswood Park Board's performance, and fairly represent the performance of Burswood Park Board for the financial year ended 30 June 2024.



John McGrath
PRESIDENT
21 AUGUST 2024



Linda Kut
CHIEF EXECUTIVE
21 AUGUST 2024

Key Performance Indicators

Burswood Park Board has developed key performance indicators (KPIs) to enable it, and other interested parties, to assess and monitor the achievement of stated outcomes. The KPIs are designed to be relevant and appropriate, consider Burswood Park Board's purpose and accurately represent agency performance.

OUTCOME 1

An attractive and accessible venue for active and passive recreation for Western Australians and visitors.

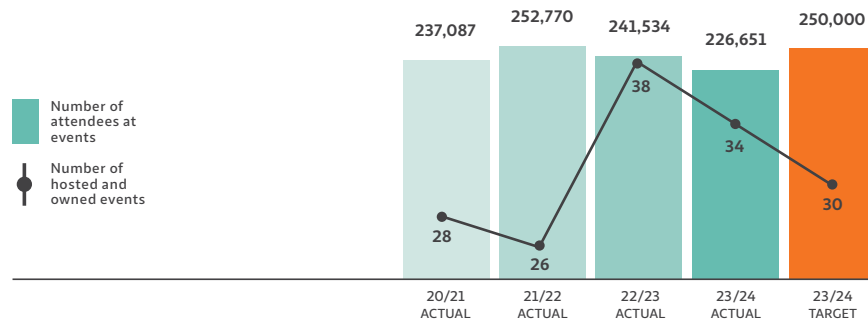
This measure quantifies the number of events hosted each year at Burswood Park and, where possible, the number of people attending these events.

All event organisers are required to liaise with Burswood Park Board for permission to use the Park for events. Information on attendee numbers is collected following the conclusion of each event as part of the post-event debrief.

For the year ended 30 June 2024, thirty-four (34) events were hosted in Burswood Park, exceeding the target of 30 events.

The total number of event attendees was 226,195, which is below the target of 250,000. This shortfall is primarily due to the cancellation of the 2024 WA Day Festival in June due to extreme weather conditions.

This two-day festival was anticipated to attract up to 80,000 attendees.

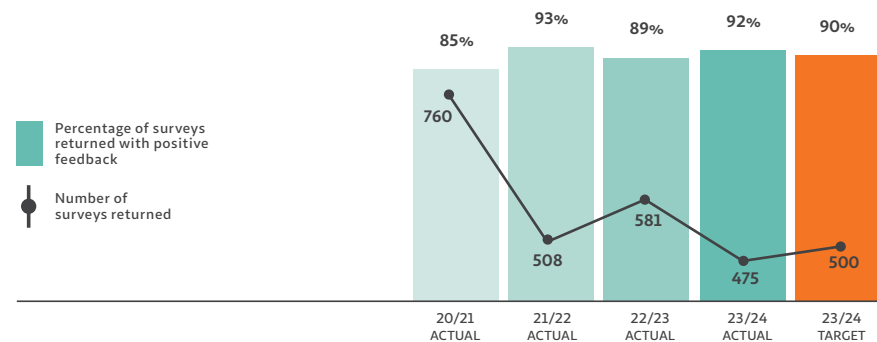


OUTCOME 2

Maximum visitor enjoyment and satisfaction

This measure quantifies the level of satisfaction of visitors to Burswood Park through visitor surveys distributed via email to the Burswood Park database and posts on Burswood Park social media channels.

Positive feedback is defined as the total of “satisfied” and “very satisfied” responses received. The percentage of positive responses was 92%, exceeding the target of 90%.

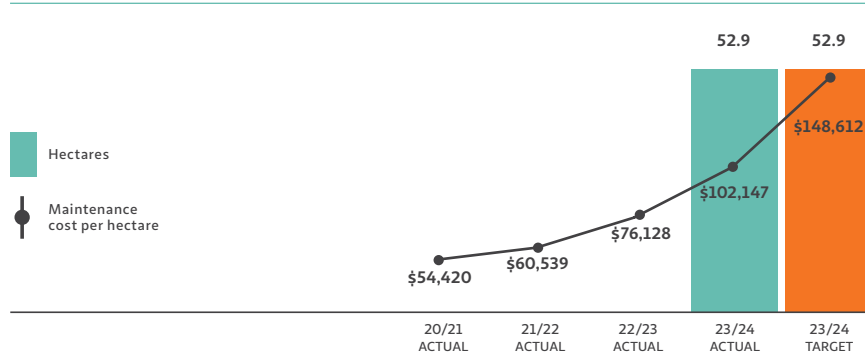


OUTCOME 3

Achieve the highest standards of Park maintenance and management

This measure details the cost of maintaining and managing the Park. It is calculated using an average total cost of maintenance per hectare of Park.

Maintenance cost per hectare was targeted at \$148,612 per hectare, however due to delays in the Foreshore Stabilisation project, the cost per hectare was significantly lower at \$101,038.



OTHER STATUTORY INFORMATION

Ministerial Directives

Burswood Park Board did not receive any Ministerial directives related to this requirement during the financial year.

Other Financial Disclosures

Capital Works

Capital project(s) incomplete

The construction of Burswood Park Interpretation Node, in partnership with DBCA to increase community understanding and engagement with natural and cultural heritage, is expected to be completed by September 2024. The estimated total cost of the project is \$480,000.

The Board has also invested in upgrading irrigation infrastructure throughout the Charles Paterson Park zone. The new satellites will lead to more effective and efficient water management. With advanced sensors and real-time data management the new system will help in reducing water waste and conserving valuable water resources. The estimated total cost of the project is \$480,000 with \$314,000 expended as at 30 June 2024.

Capital projects completed

The construction of a new High Quality Shared Path was completed in June 2024. This new path is designed to cater to commuters and those seeking to move more quickly through the park, including fast-moving cyclists and e-transport riders.

The total cost of the project is \$3.6 million.

Employment and Industrial Relations

STAFF PROFILE

	As at 30 June 2023	As at 30 June 2024
Total FTE	9.6	12.8
Vacant FTE	0	2
Total head count	12	12
Permanent head count	8	10
Fixed-term head count	3	2
Part-time head count	4	3

The Board's conditions of employment are governed by the Government Officers Salaries, Allowances and Conditions (GOSAC) Award 1989.

There were no industrial issues between employees and the Board during the year.

Burswood Park Board employees enjoy flexible working arrangements to allow for a work/life balance. These arrangements include flexible start and finish times, flexi days, and part-time positions in a family-friendly workplace.

Staff Development

Burswood Park Board has a commitment to the development of our employees.

While ensuring compliance with participation in government training sessions, Burswood Park Board also provides additional training that is specific to the agency and to individual employees.

During the year our commitment to, and investment in, professional development, saw 100% of our employees receive training totalling in excess of 147 hours.

Workers Compensation

No compensation claims were recorded during the financial year.

Governance Disclosures

Contracts with Senior Officers

Treasurer's Instruction 903 requires senior officers to disclose particulars, other than normal contracts of employment of service, any shares or interest in any existing or proposed contract with a senior officer, or a firm of which a senior officer is a member, or an entity in which a senior officer has a substantial financial interest, has made with the Board or any subsidiary body, related body or affiliated body of the Board.

No disclosures were made during 2023-24.

Public Interest Disclosures

As required by the provisions of the *Public Interest Disclosure Act 2003*, the Board's Chief Executive complied with the obligations imposed pursuant to section 23(1). In this respect, the Chief Executive has been appointed as the Board's Public Interest Disclosure Officer and internal procedures relating to the Board's obligations have been published and made available for access by all employees and members of the public.

There were no public interest disclosures substantiated in the past year.

Complaints Handling

Burswood Park Board values its stakeholder and customer feedback. 4 complaints were received and resolved during the financial year.

Freedom of Information

The Board's Information Statement is published on the website. During 2023-24, no FOI applications were received.

OTHER LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Unauthorised use of Credit Cards

Officers of Burswood Park Board hold corporate credit cards where their functions warrant usage of this facility.

Despite each cardholder being reminded of their obligations annually under the Agency's credit card policy, one employee inadvertently used the corporate credit card on one occasion for a personal purpose. This was characteristic of an honest mistake that occurred during the process of establishing an agency account on a dual personal/work App. It was reported and settled immediately, and no disciplinary action was taken.

AS AT 30 JUNE 2024

Number of instances the Western Australian Government Purchasing Cards have been used for personal purposes	1
Aggregate amount of personal use expenditure for the reporting period	\$24
Aggregate amount of personal use expenditure settled by the due date (within 5 working days)	\$24
Aggregate amount of personal use expenditure settled after the period (after 5 working days)	\$0
Aggregate amount of personal use expenditure remaining unpaid at the end of the reporting period	\$0
Number of referrals for disciplinary action instigated by the notifiable authority during the reporting period	0





Expenditure on Advertising, Market Research, Polling and Direct Mail

Burswood Park Board did not incur expenditure of this nature.

Disability Access and Inclusion Plan Outcomes

This year we began our review of the Disability Access and Inclusion Plan (DAIP). A committee was formed with representatives from Administration and Operations.

In support of the existing DAIP the following actions were undertaken:

-  being an equal opportunity employer
-  staff education on our existing plan and the importance of inclusivity
-  introduction of seven (7) new ACROD bays
-  inclusion of wheelchair access and Auslan performance interpreter services for the deaf community at the Board's Santa Symphony in the Park event.

Compliance with Public Sector Standards and ethical codes

In accordance with Section 31(1) of the *Public Sector Management Act 1994*, Burswood Park Board is required to report on compliance with the public sector standards and ethical codes.

The Board complied with the Public Sector Standards in Human Resource Management, the Western Australian Public Sector Code of Ethics and the Board's Code of Conduct during the financial year. The Board has procedures designed to ensure such compliance and conducted appropriate internal assessments.

There were no breaches of standard claims lodged in the past year.

Recordkeeping plan

A review of Burswood Park Board's Record Keeping Plan was submitted to the State Records Office of Western Australia and approved by the State Records Commission in June 2024. The next review is due to be submitted March 2026.

Our mandatory induction program includes familiarisation with our record keeping plan and regular staff training is undertaken.

Government Policy Requirements

Occupational safety, health and injury management

PERFORMANCE REPORTING:

Measures	2021-22	2022-23	2023 - 24	Targets	Comments about targets
Number of fatalities	0	0	0	Zero (0)	✓
Lost time injury and disease incidence rate	0	0	0	Zero (0) or 10% improvement on the previous three (3) years	✓
Lost time injury and severity rate	0	0	0	Zero (0) or 10% improvement on the previous three (3) years	✓
Percentage of injured workers returned to work (i) within 13 weeks	na	na	na	Greater than or equal to 80% return to work within 26 weeks	✓
Percentage of injured workers returned to work (ii) within 26 weeks	na	na	na	Greater than or equal to 80% return to work within 26 weeks	✓
Percentage of managers and supervisors trained in work health and safety, and injury management responsibilities, including refresher training within three years	50%	100%	100%	Greater than or equal to 80%	✓

National Strategic Plan for Asbestos Awareness and Management 2019-2023

Burswood Park Board has reported on its progress in achieving the Western Australian Government endorsed targets one to seven.

Board and Committee Remuneration

The Board is required to report on individual and aggregate costs of remunerating all positions on all boards and committees, as defined in the Premier's Circular 2021/18 – State Government Boards and Committees.

Board remuneration

There was a total of eight (8) board meetings held during 2023-24. The following table shows the period of membership for the financial year.

POSITION TITLE	MEMBER NAME	TYPE OF REMUNERATION*	2023-24 PERIOD OF MEMBERSHIP	TERM OF APPOINTMENT	BASE SITTING FEES**	2023-24 GROSS/ACTUAL REMUNERATION
Chair	John McGrath	Annual	12 months	2 years, 10 months	\$14,825	\$12,441
Member	Christopher Melsom	Annual	12 months	3 years, 6 months	\$8,154	\$3,498
Member	John Van Der Wielen***	Annual	12 months	2 years	\$8,154	-
Member	Dr Joanne Pearce	Annual	6 months	6 months	\$8,154	\$2,886
Member	Anthony Vuleta	Annual	1 month	1 month	\$8,154	-
Member	Cr Bronwyn lfe	Annual	11 months	2 years	\$8,154	\$6,384
Member	Peter King	Annual	2 months	2 years, 8 months	\$8,154	\$1,508
Total						\$26,718

*Annual amount, with payment made on a quarterly basis. **Base sitting fees adjusted as per public sector board and committee remuneration review advice and backdated to 14 March 2024. *** Member is eligible for remuneration but declined payment.

Committee remuneration

The independent chair of the Audit and Risk Committee receives remuneration as a consequence of their membership.

The base sitting fees were adjusted and backdated to 14 March 2024 aligned to the public sector review of Board and Committee remuneration.

POSITION TITLE	MEMBER NAME	TYPE OF REMUNERATION*	2023-24 PERIOD OF MEMBERSHIP	TERM OF APPOINTMENT	BASE SITTING FEES**	2023-24 GROSS/ACTUAL REMUNERATION
Chair	Kelly Hick	Annual	12 months	4 years	\$8,154	\$6,865
Member	Mandy Taylor	Annual	12 months	4 years	Not eligible	-
Member	Christopher Melsom	Annual	5 months	5 months	Not eligible	-
Member	Cr Bronwyn lfe	Annual	1 month	2 years	\$4,077	-
Total						\$6,865

*Annual amount, with payment made on a quarterly basis. **Base sitting fees adjusted and backdated to 14 March 2024.

WA Multicultural Policy Framework Outcomes

The Board continues to work on the policy priorities set within Burswood Park Board's five-year Multicultural Plan.

Outcomes achieved include:

- All staff completed the public sector online **Diverse WA** cultural competency training Module 1: An introduction to cultural competence. This module delivered awareness of multicultural society, building a deeper understanding of culture and the importance of reflecting on cultural influences, understanding on the theory behind unconscious bias and its impact. The training module also now forms a mandatory element of our staff induction schedule.
- Relevant staff also completed **Module 2: An introduction to language services** to identify barriers to effective intercultural communication and how written, verbal and body language varies across cultures.
- The team participated in an overview session on the Office of Multicultural Interests available resources for working with people from culturally and linguistically diverse (CaLD) backgrounds.




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