

# Urban Greening

Public survey

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## Tell us about you

To help us understand the composition of the community with views on urban greening, we have some broad questions about you:

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Q1. What is the name of your suburb

Q2. What is your connection to Perth or Peel (tick all that apply)?

- Resident for 0-5 years
- Resident for over 5 years
- Work
- Study
- Visitor
- Arborist, landscaper or gardener
- developer/builder
- Live elsewhere but interested in urban greening
- Prefer not to say
- Other, please specify in the option below

## Urban greening

Urban greening is about making cities healthy and attractive places to live and work. It involves retaining and planting as many trees and plants as possible, ensuring our neighbourhoods have adequate shade and protection from hot weather, and retaining and enhancing habitat for our native plants and animals. Urban greening is an important part of the Government's plans to improve the liveability of our suburbs and urban centres as they grow and develop.

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Q3. On a scale of 1 to 10, please rate how green (vegetation wise) you currently think the Perth and Peel regions are? (10 being highest, 1 being lowest)

Please help us understand your response by providing additional comments below:

Q4. On a scale of 1 to 10, please rate your level of support for additional urban greening in the Perth and Peel regions? (10 being highest, 1 being lowest)

Please help us understand your response by providing additional comments below:

Q5. What do you consider the most important benefits of urban greening? Please number the options in importance to you from 1-10 (10 being highest, 1 being lowest)

	Importance to you 1-10
Better looking gardens, streets and neighbourhoods	
More shade to provide a canopy for people to spend more time outside	
Reduced heat in urban areas	
Creates a habitat for local plants and wildlife	
Improved air quality	
Physical and mental health benefits	
Economic benefits, including reduced energy costs and increased property values	
Spiritual or cultural values	
Improvements to walking and cycling options	
Other, please specify in the box below	

Other

Please provide details above

Q6. Have you heard of the “urban heat island effect” and its consequences for the community?

- Yes
- No
- have heard of it but don't fully understand

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## Tree retention and planting

A key component of urban greening is the retention and enhancement of tree canopy cover. To help us understand community attitudes to tree retention and tree planting please answer the following questions.

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Q7. On a scale of 1 to 10, how would you rate the current level of tree canopy cover in your suburb? (10 being highest, 1 being lowest)

Q7a. Which suburb did you rate?

Please provide a name of the suburb above

Q8. Do you support increasing the number of trees in your suburb?

- Yes
- No

Q9. Thinking of anywhere in Perth and Peel region, where would you like to see more trees or other vegetation planted?

- Parks
- Neighbourhood streets (median strips, verges, on street carparking etc)
- Car parks
- Verges
- Private properties
- New developments
- Railway corridors
- Highways and freeways
- Government buildings/development
- Hospital/health related facilities
- We don't need more trees
- Other, please help us understand your response by providing additional comments

**Q10. How many trees (above approximately 2m) do you have in your front or back garden or front verge?**

- 1-3
- 4-5
- More than 5
- None

**Q11. What are barriers that prevent you from planting a tree or more trees in your front or back yard or on your front verge?**

- There's no room
- I already have enough established trees on my property
- Overhead powerlines
- They are a nuisance (eg messy or shade my solar panels)
- Present a risk to my property (eg roots might interfere with paving/plumbing)
- Present a health risk or safety hazard
- Not allowed to (eg rental property or council restrictions)
- Do not want to
- No barriers or difficulties
- Other, please help us understand your response by providing additional comments

**Q12. Have you removed a tree front or back yard or on your front verge in the last 5 years?**

- Yes
- No
- Not sure

Q12a. Why was the tree was removed?

- Tree was damaged by disease/dead/old
- Roots causing damage to housing, paving, pipes or similar
- Tree replacement
- Tree was too big
- As part of a development
- Tree damaged by pests
- Tree caused a mess
- Complaints by a neighbour
- Tree presented a health risk or safety hazard
- Council or other authority requirement
- Other, please specify in the box below

Q13. Is there anything else you would like to say about trees in your nominated suburb or Perth and Peel?

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## Education Awareness

A key component of implementing a strategy will be the delivery of an education awareness program.

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Q14. Please indicate what topics you would like to know more about?

- Advice on pruning and maintaining trees
- Appropriate tree and vegetation species for your property
- How to maintain and protect canopy trees
- Support to assess whether a tree poses a risk to people or properties
- Case studies and examples of good practice gardening
- How to grow an urban forest on residential land
- Permeable hard landscaping options (driveways, paving etc)
- Benefits of trees and vegetation
- Other, please specify

Q15. Where have you seen some good examples of tree / canopy education or retention initiatives? These can be in Australia or internationally.

Please provide your answer above

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