

### Local Government Ministry of Western Australia

A Minister for Local Government was first established in the McLarty Liberal Government in 1947. Since then there have been 20 Local Government Ministers in 13 different Governments.

Ministry	Name	Ministry Title	Assumption of Office Date	Retirement Of Office Date
<b>McLarty (Lib)</b> 1947 - 1953	David Brand	Honorary Minister for Housing, Forests, & <b>Local Government</b>	7 Oct 1949	6 April 1950
	Victor Doney	Chief Secretary, Minister for <b>Local Government</b> & Native Affairs	6 April 1950	23 Feb 1953
<b>Hawke (ALP)</b> 1953 - 1959	Gilbert Fraser, MLC	Chief Secretary, Minister for <b>Local Government</b> & Town Planning	23 Feb 1953	7 Dec 1955
		Leader of Govt in LC, Chief Secretary, Minister for <b>Local Government</b> & Town Planning	7 Dec 1955	1 Nov 1958
	Frank Joseph Scott Wise, MLC	Minister of Industrial Development, <b>Local Government</b> & Town Planning	13 Nov 1958	2 April 1959
<b>Brand (Lib)</b> 1959 - 1971	Leslie Arthur Logan, MLC	Minister for <b>Local Government</b> & Town Planning & Child Welfare	2 April 1959	3 March 1971
<b>Tonkin (ALP)</b> 1971 - 1974	Robert Henry Claude Stubbs, MLC	Minister for <b>Local Government</b> & Chief Secretary	3 March 1971	8 April 1974
<b>Court (Lib)</b> 1974 - 1982	Edgar Cyril Rushton	Minister for <b>Local Government</b> & Urban Development & Town Planning	8 April 1974	25 Aug 1978
	Margaret June Craig	Minister for <b>Local Government</b> & Urban Development & Town Planning	25 Aug 1978	25 Jan 1982
<b>O'Connor (Lib)</b> 1982 - 1983	Margaret June Craig	Minister for <b>Local Government</b> & Urban Development & Town Planning	25 Jan 1982	25 Feb 1983
<b>Burke (ALP)</b> 1983 - 1988	Jeffrey Phillip Carr	Minister for Police & Emergency Services, & <b>Local Government</b>	25 Feb 1983	26 Feb 1986
		Minister for <b>Local Government</b> & Regional Development	26 Feb 1986	25 Feb 1988
<b>Dowding (ALP)</b> 1988 - 1990	Jeffrey Phillip Carr, JP	Minister for Mine, <b>Local Government</b> & Regional Development	25 Feb 1988	28 Feb 1989
	Elsie Kay Hallahan, MLC	Minister for <b>Local Government</b> , Lands, the Family, the Aged, Women's Interests & Deputy Leader of Govt LC	28 Feb 1989	12 Feb 1990
<b>Lawrence (ALP)</b> 1990 - 1993	Gordon Leslie Hill	Minister for <b>Local Government</b> , Fisheries, Sport & Recreation, Youth & Minister assisting the Minister for Multicultural & Ethnic Affairs	19 Feb 1990	5 Feb 1991
	David Lawrence Smith	Minister for Lands, Planning, Justice, <b>Local Government</b> & South-West	5 Feb 1991	16 Feb 1993
<b>Court (Lib)</b> 1993 - 2001	Paul Domenic Omodei	Minister for Water Resources & <b>Local Government</b>	16 Feb 1993	10 Feb 1995
		Minister for <b>Local Government</b> & Multicultural & Ethnic Affairs	10 Feb 1995	9 Jan 1997
		Minister for <b>Local Government</b> & Disability Services	9 Jan 1997	22 Dec 1999
		Minister for <b>Local Government</b> & Disability Services & Forest Products	22 Dec 1999	16 Feb 2001

<b>Gallop (ALP) 2001 - 2006</b>	Michelle Hopkins Roberts	Minister for Police; Emergency Services; & <b>Local Government</b>	16 Feb 2001	8 March 2001
		Minister for Police; Emergency Services; & <b>Local Government</b> & Minister assisting the Minister for Planning & Infrastructure	8 March 2001	1 July 2001
	Thomas Gregory Stephens, MLC	Minister for Housing & Works, <b>Local Government</b> ; the Kimberley, Pilbara & Gascoyne	1 July 2001	27 June 2003
		Minister for <b>Local Government</b> & Regional development; Heritage; Kimberley, Pilbara & Gascoyne	27 June 2003	16 Sept 2004
	Ljiljanna Maria Ravlich, MLC	Minister for <b>Local Government</b> and Regional Development	21 Sept 2004	10 March 2005
	John Bowler	Minister for <b>Local Government</b> and Regional Development; Land Information; Goldfields-Esperance and Great Southern; Sport and Recreation (from 25 November 2005)	10 March 2005	25 Jan 2006
<b>Carpenter (ALP) 2006 - 2008</b>	John Bowler	Minister for <b>Local Government</b> & Regional Development; Land Information; Goldfields-Esperance and Great Southern; Sport & Recreation (from 25 November 2005)	25 Jan 2006	3 Feb 2006
	Jonathan (Jon) Robert Ford, MLC	Minister for <b>Local Government</b> & Regional Development	3 Feb 2006	13 Dec 2006
	John Bowler	Minister for <b>Local Government</b> , Employment Protection & Goldfields-Esperance	13 Dec 2006	2 March 2007
	Ljiljanna Maria Ravlich, MLC	Minister for <b>Local Government</b> ; Racing & Gaming; Minister Assisting the Minister for Goldfields-Esperance; Youth:	2 March 2007	23 Sept 2008
<b>Barnett (Lib) 2008</b>	Giovanni (John) Mario Castrilli	<b>Minister for Local Government</b> ; Heritage; Citizenship and Multicultural Interests	23 Sept 2008	28 Apr 2010
		<b>Minister for Local Government</b> ; Heritage; Citizenship and Multicultural Interests	28 Apr 2010	21 March 2013
<b>Barnett (Lib) 2013</b>	Hon Anthony James Simpson	<b>Minister for Local Government</b> ; Community Services; Seniors and Volunteering; Youth	21 March 2013	

### Abbreviations

ALP	Australian Labor Party
Govt	Government
LA	Legislative Assembly
LC	Legislative Council
Lib.	Liberal
MLA	Member of the Legislative Assembly
MLC	Member of the Legislative Council

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