

**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**  
**Question Without Notice**

**Tuesday 17 October 2023**

**C1398. Hon Brad Pettitt to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Climate Action**

I refer to the stated four-week consultation period for the WA Government's Climate Change Legislation, beginning on Wednesday 20 September, and ending today, for which no link or email address has been provided as of close of business on Monday 16 October 2023, I ask:

1. Why has the government failed to provide a clear and directly accessible avenue for members of the public to give feedback on the Climate Change legislation?
2. Will the Minister please table the list of the "more than 100 stakeholder groups invited to information sessions and able to provide feedback on the Climate Change Bill 2023" as stated on the website?
3. If not, why not?
4. Will the Minister commit to providing an extension to the public consultation period of the Climate Change Bill 2023, and a publicly accessible link, to enable members of the community to provide feedback?

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**Answer**

1. The Government has made significant information on the Bill publicly available to ensure transparency and support understanding of the key provisions of the legislation.

The Government has published an Explanatory Paper, a one-page fact sheet and answers to Frequently Asked Questions. Information sessions have been held with a wide range of stakeholder groups to explain the provisions of the legislation and provide an opportunity for stakeholders to ask questions and provide feedback on the legislation.

A contact email ([climatebill@dwer.wa.gov.au](mailto:climatebill@dwer.wa.gov.au)) is available online via the publicly accessible link, in the one-page fact sheet to allow stakeholders to seek further information.

  
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2. I table a list of stakeholders who were approached to be briefed and provide feedback on the legislation. This list includes over 140 groups including First Nations people, peak representative bodies from industry, agriculture, water and conservation sectors, Australian and State Government agencies, local government, government trading enterprises, universities, advocacy groups and non-government organisations. This process has ensured a diverse range of views have been sought and considered in finalising the legislation.
3. Not applicable.
4. The Government announced its intention to introduce climate change legislation to Parliament in January 2023. The Climate Change Bill delivers on this Government's commitment to legislate Western Australia's target of net zero emissions and underscores our commitment to enduring action on one of the most significant challenges of our lifetime. The Government looks forward to debating the legislation in Parliament.

## Stakeholder

Department of Justice  
Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage  
Office of the Auditor General  
WA Police  
Department of Fire and Emergency Services  
Department of Health  
Department of the Premier and Cabinet  
Landgate  
Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development  
Department of Transport  
Economic Regulation Authority  
Department of Finance  
Main Roads Western Australia  
Department of Training and Workforce Development  
Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries  
Department of Education  
Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions  
Public Transport Authority  
Department of Treasury  
Department of Communities  
Department of Jobs, Tourism, Science and Innovation  
Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety  
Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety - EPWA  
Public Sector Commission  
Synergy  
Water Corporation  
Western Power  
Horizon Power  
Forest Products Commission  
Western Australian Land Authority (Development WA)  
Busselton Water  
Mid-West Ports Authority  
Bunbury Water Corporation (Aqwest)  
Western Australian Treasury Corporation  
Kimberley Ports Authority  
Fremantle Port Authority (Fremantle Ports)  
Mid-West Ports Authority  
Westport  
Pilbara Ports Authority  
Southern Ports Authority  
Environmental Protection Authority  
Conservation and Parks Commission  
Infrastructure WA  
Waste Authority  
Western Australian Local Government Association  
Western Australian Planning Commission  
Climate Change Authority  
Clean Energy Regulator  
Department of Climate Change, Energy, Environment and Water

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet  
Chamber of Commerce and Industry WA  
Association of Mining and Exploration Companies  
Minerals Research Institute of Western Australia  
Chamber of Minerals and Energy  
Australian Energy Producers (formerly Australian Petroleum Production and Exploration Association)  
Property Council of WA  
Urban Development Institute of Australia WA  
Irrigation Australia  
Pastoralists and Grazing Association WA (Inc)  
Vegetables WA  
Forest Industries Federation WA  
Fruit West  
WA Farmers Federation  
DWER's Aboriginal Water and Environmental Advisory Group  
Yamatji Marlpa Aboriginal Corporation  
Central Desert Native Title Services  
Goldfields Land and Sea Council Aboriginal Community Services  
Kimberley Land Council  
Native Title Services Goldfields  
South West Aboriginal Land & Sea Council  
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Danjoo Koorliny Walking Together  
North Australian Indigenous Land & Sea Management Alliance  
Aboriginal Advisory Council WA  
Committee for Aboriginal Water Interests (CAWI)  
Pilbara Cultural Land Management Project  
Greening Australia  
Bush Heritage Australia  
Peel-Harvey Catchment Council (PHCC)  
Boomerang Alliance  
Northern Agricultural Catchment Council (NACC)  
Wildflower Society of WA  
Urban Bushland Council WA  
South West Catchments Council  
Climate Analytics  
Minderoo Foundation  
Natural Resources Management WA  
Plastic Free Foundation  
WA Landcare Network  
Environs Kimberley  
Lock the Gate  
The Wilderness Society  
Conservation Council of WA  
Environmental Defenders Office  
Climate Justice Union

Perth Hills Climate Change Interest Group  
Greenpeace  
Climate Council  
University of Western Australia  
Murdoch University  
Environmental Institute of Australia & New Zealand  
CSIRO  
University of Notre Dame  
Curtin University  
Environmental Consultants Association  
Edith Cowan University  
Harry Butler Institute (Murdoch University)  
National Environmental Law Association  
Western Australian Biodiversity Science Institute  
Western Australian Marine Science Institution  
Mental Health Commission  
Millennium Kids  
Telethon Kids Institute