



## Parliamentary Friendship Groups

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- (1) Parliamentary friendship groups are informal groups established by members of the Parliament of Western Australia to raise awareness of or increase liaison with a particular group, organisation or issue.
- (2) Parliamentary friendship groups should:
  - (a) be open to all members;
  - (b) be apolitical;
  - (c) be clearly defined; and
  - (d) have no sponsorship from external organisations.
- (3) Members wishing to convene a parliamentary friendship group can seek to have the group listed on the Parliament's website by contacting the Clerk of their respective Chamber.
- (4) Listing of a parliamentary friendship group on the Parliament's website needs to include:
  - (a) the name, telephone and email contact of the group's convenor(s), who must be current member(s) of Parliament;
  - (b) a brief statement of the group's purpose, supplied by the convenor(s).
- (5) Listing of the parliamentary friendship group on the Parliament's website will be for the duration of the current Parliament. Parliamentary friendship groups will need to have their details, including the current convenor(s), re-listed at the commencement of each Parliament.
- (6) The convenor(s) of the parliamentary friendship group will be responsible for advising the Clerk of any changes relating to the membership or purpose of the parliamentary friendship group.
- (7) Parliamentary friendship groups are not formal entities of the Parliament of Western Australia.



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