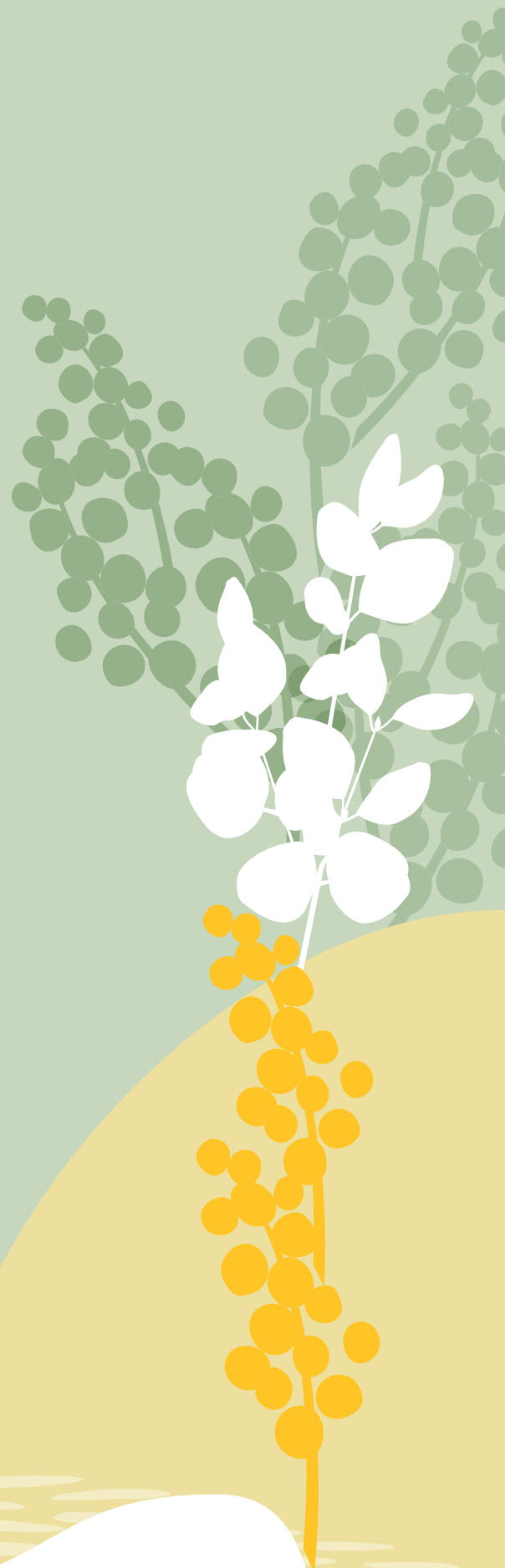


Keep Australia Beautiful Council

2021-22 Annual report



Hon Reece Whitby MLA

Minister for Environment; Climate Action

In accordance with Section 63 of the *Financial Management Act 2006*, I submit the Keep Australia Beautiful Council Annual Report for the period 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022, for presentation to Parliament.

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



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Significant funding from the State Government through an agreement with the Waste Authority has allowed KABC to deliver its programs throughout the state.

Chair's report

I am pleased to present the Keep Australia Beautiful Council (KABC) 2021-22 annual report. While 2019-2021 council appointments ceased on 31 December 2021, KABC Services staff continued to implement the approved 2021-22 business plan through our program delivery and long-term project development. On KABC's behalf, they have continued to engage with stakeholders throughout Western Australia (WA) to promote participation in a broad range of litter reduction activities, as approved in the first half of the 2021-22 financial year. Cabinet approved the new appointment of KABC on 18 July 2022, including my reappointment as Chair.

Following the State Government decision to fast track its Plan for Plastics by up to four years, KABC made a commitment to removing single-use plastics from its program resources by the end of the current Litter Prevention Strategy. KABC Services has begun consultation with stakeholders on the best way for us to proceed with our policy intention.

Significant funding from the State Government through an agreement with the Waste Authority has allowed KABC to deliver its programs throughout the state. The Adopt-a-Spot program has 1,881 groups registered to carry out regular or one-off clean-ups of sites they nominate, with more than 53,000 volunteers now registered – an increase of 3,369 from 2020–21. I would like to acknowledge and thank the 17 local governments who have now partnered with us to promote the Adopt-a-Spot program to their residents.

In a combined effort with the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) and the Department of Transport (DoT) in Karratha, more than 300 kilograms of historical marine debris, consisting of 1,900 individual items, was removed from 16 kilometres of coastline on the Dampier Archipelago.

Our annual Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities Awards received entries from 34 communities from regional and remote WA, with Boddington winning the state's top prize and becoming a national finalist. The 2021 awards were a great success and I thank all the entrants for their dedication and hard work in showcasing their communities. I also thank sponsors and presenters, including Sabrina Hahn, Formidable Vegetable, Sobrane and Helen Ansell, for their artistic contributions to the event.



The number of reports to the Litter Report Scheme steadied this year following significant declines in the past three years. KABC consulted with its registered litter reporters to determine the best way to encourage them to report littering more often. Roadsides carry the highest litter loads, which tells us that some drivers still jettison their rubbish out car windows. It's an awful behaviour that we want to stop. We know there are many Western Australians who share this concern and wish to assist KABC in the fight against litter.

I would like to extend my thanks and gratitude to outgoing council members for their service over the past 10 years, and in some cases longer, and for setting a strong direction for KABC. I would also like to acknowledge KABC staff for their ongoing commitment and engagement during another busy and unusual year.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Aspinall', written in a cursive style.

Michael Aspinall
Chairman
Keep Australia Beautiful Council

Executive summary

Increase community understanding of the impacts of litter on the environment and support behaviour change

Contribute to the long-term prevention of litter and marine debris

Regulation and enforcement of the Litter Act 1979

Monitoring the level of litter in WA and its marine environment and evaluating program effectiveness



216

new adopter groups

1,027

new litter reporters

17,664

total litter reporters

\$37,836

litter grants

11,700

Outback Packs

30,625

car litter bags

75,987

orange roadside
litter bags

1,436

hessian bags and
Containers for Change
bags

17

local government
partnerships

74

Clean Schools
registrations

34

Tidy Towns
communities

Increase community understanding of the impacts of litter on the environment and support behaviour change

Campaigns

The KABC brand and anti-litter messages were promoted across a range of local governments, events and activities in 2021–22, with the ongoing ‘Bin it – you know it’s the right thing to do’ anti-litter campaign as the overarching message. The campaign ‘If you leave litter, you’re rubbish’ also continued to be promoted in 2021–22 on KABC’s website.

Work started on developing assets for the new ‘Bin it for Good’ campaign to update the 2017 ‘Bin It – you know it’s the right thing to do’ campaign. These assets will include materials for bin stickers and posters, social media promotion, radio and a television commercial which can also be used in outdoor cinema advertising.


An additional campaign for the Litter Report Scheme is being developed to encourage community engagement with KABC’s long standing Litter Report Scheme. The ‘Unseen Heroes’ campaign assets will include broadcast video on demand, digital AV, radio and social media.

Tidy Towns

KABC’s iconic Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities Awards for regional and remote communities recognise the actions of small and large communities. This year, 34 communities competed across the categories of litter prevention, general appearance, environmental education, sustainability, heritage and culture, community action and youth leadership. In addition, WA Return Recycle Renew Limited (WARRRL) sponsored the inaugural Community Containers for Change Award as an additional award, demonstrating KABC’s growing partnership with WARRRL. Boddington was the overall State Winner title winner.

Clean Schools

During 2021–22, there were 74 registrations for the Clean Schools professional development program. Each registrant was provided with a resource package, including a step-by-step guide to implementing the program in their schools and a thumb drive of downloadable resources. A total of 725 WA primary and secondary schools, and other organisations involved in litter and waste management education, such as day-care centres, participate in the program.



Contribute to the long-term prevention of litter and marine debris

In 2021–22 the following results were achieved:

- Adopt-a-Spot engaged **216 new adopter groups** increasing its volunteer numbers by 3,369.
- There were **74 registrations** in the Clean Schools program, bringing the number of primary and secondary schools and other organisations participating to 725.
- **\$37,836 in funding** was awarded to community projects throughout the state targeting litter through the Community Litter Grants scheme.
- **11,700 Outback Packs** were assembled and 7,125 were distributed.
- **30,625** car litter bags, **75,987** orange roadside litter bags, **181** hessian bags and **1,255** Containers for Change bags were provided to Adopt-a-Spot groups and other community groups, grant recipients, businesses and local governments.
- **80** paid bin stickers were distributed across 40 locations in **12** local government areas and 80 were provided free of charge through the Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities program.

Partnerships

KABC implemented actions under memoranda of understanding (MOUs) with 16 local governments, Care for Hedland, Tangaroa Blue Foundation, AUSMAP and Main Roads WA (MRWA).

WA Beach Clean-up report

Under the Marine Debris Project, KABC continued its partnership with Tangaroa Blue Foundation, an Australia-wide, not-for-profit organisation dedicated to the removal and prevention of marine debris. The major event under this partnership is the WA Beach Clean Up.

Tangaroa Blue hosted its 17th annual WA Beach Clean Up on the weekend of 16-17 October 2021, with the support of KABC. A total of 1,439 volunteers converged on 100 beaches to remove and audit marine debris along 215 kilometres of coastline.



An additional 1,027 Western Australians registered to become litter reporters. This took the total to 17,664.



Special projects

KABC Services officers visited Christmas Island in September to deliver education and community engagement programs. They undertook classroom education as part of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation's (DWER) service delivery arrangement with the Australian Government.

Regulation and enforcement of the Litter Act 1979

Litter Report Scheme

In 2021-22, an additional 1,027 Western Australians registered to become litter reporters. This took the total number of registered litter reporters to 17,664.

KABC is taking action to address a decline in the number of litter reports being received and to encourage litter reporters to become more active. Litter audits show major roads and highways are still the most littered site type in WA.

KABC Services investigators undertook 88 litter investigations, resulting in 60 infringement notices and three letters of warning for littering offences. Nine prosecution briefs were prepared when offenders nominated to take their infringements to court.

Monitoring the level of litter in WA and its marine environment and evaluating program effectiveness

Australian Litter Measure

The Perth NRM was contracted to undertake KABC's annual litter survey in May 2022. The survey applied the national Australian Litter Measure (AusLM) methodology, and the results set the new benchmark to measure litter reduction to the end of the Litter Prevention Strategy 2020-2025. The audit covered 10 locations (local government areas) and 265 transects within 57 sites.

Consistent with past WA and Australia-wide data, cigarette butts and filters remained the number one item, with 38.29 counted per 1,000 m².





Mission

To provide leadership, support and services necessary to ensure all Western Australians live in a clean and litter-free environment.



Performance overview



The 2020–21 litter monitoring results were reported based on a pilot audit using the new AusLM methodology, where we reported on the outcomes of the pilot audit conducted in January 2021 at a limited number of sites. The 2021-22 full survey data establishes a new benchmark for future analysis of litter trends and distribution.

Indicator 1.1: The amount of litter reduction as measured by the AusLM.

	Items per 1,000m ²			Volume Litres / 1,000m ²		
	20-21	21-22	21-22	20-21	21-22	21-22
	Pilot	Target	Actual	Pilot	Target	Actual
AusLM	332	300	174	18	16	10.94
Reduction compared with previous year	+297		-158	+12		-10.06

Table 1 AusLM 2020-22

	Items per 1,000m ²			Volume Litres / 1,000m ²		
	17-18	18-19	19-20	17-18	18-19	19-20
NLI	40	37	36	7.11	5.31	4.7
Reduction compared with previous year	+1	-3	-1	+0.11	-1.8	-0.61

Table 2 NLI 2016-20

Operational structure

Mission:

To provide leadership, support and services necessary to ensure all Western Australians live in a clean and litter-free environment.

The *Litter Act 1979* (Litter Act) establishes the Keep Australia Beautiful Council. KABC has a wide range of general powers and functions associated with litter established by Part IV – Prevention of litter; Part V – Enforcement, proceedings and penalties; and Part VI – Regulations and rules, with 16 functions being set out in full in the Second Schedule of the Litter Act. These are to:

- **educate** members of the public in, and to awaken, stimulate, encourage and maintain the interest of members of the public in, and to promote public knowledge of, the correct disposal of waste items
- **foster and encourage** the appreciation of clean and well-kept cities and countryside
- **safeguard** the character and beauty of the Australian landscape through the prevention of litter
- **preserve and improve** the appearance of our environment in the schools, in factories, shops and offices, in parks, beaches and recreation places and along the roadside by the prevention of litter
- **make recommendations** and submit proposals to the Minister from time to time with respect to regulations to be made under this Act
- **promote** litter prevention through publicity of all kinds, design and distribution of litter receptacles and encouragement of suitable legislation
- **promote** awareness of, and encouragement of, litter recycling
- **maintain** continuous and effective campaigns against the disfigurement of the landscape by litter and to encourage a responsible community attitude to cleanliness in all public places
- **study** available research, and development in the field, regarding litter control, removal, disposal and recycling and to study methods for the implementation of such research and development
- **cooperate**, where considered desirable by the KABC, with other organisations within the state or elsewhere on questions relating to all forms of pollution and generally to work for a clean, healthy environment
- **serve** as the coordinating agency between organisations seeking to aid the anti-litter effort
- **liaise** with local governments with a view to ensuring that the provisions of this Act are enforced in the districts of those local governments
- **cooperate** with local governments to accomplish coordination of local anti-litter efforts
- **encourage, organise and coordinate** voluntary local anti-litter campaigns seeking to focus the attention of the public on programmes to control and remove litter
- **take appropriate measures** to bring the provisions of this Act to the attention of the public
- do such other acts and things as are conducive to the prevention and control of litter.

KABC developed the *Litter Prevention Strategy for Western Australia 2020–2025* and monitors implementation of its programs through its annual business plan. KABC also provides advice on litter issues to the Minister.

The KABC Fund receives grants from the Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Account and DWER. It also receives revenue from litter fines enforcement and program sponsorship from MRWA and Mars Wrigley.

Responsible Minister

KABC reports to the Minister for Environment, Hon Reece Whitby, MLA, who is the Minister responsible for the Litter Act.

Organisational structure

DWER provides services and functions to KABC to support the implementation of the *Litter Prevention Strategy for Western Australia 2020–2025* through the annual business plan.

In December 2018, the then Minister appointed the members of KABC for three-year terms. Appointments ceased on 31 December 2021. Some industry positions were vacant.

Chairman Michael Aspinall

– was appointed to KABC as chairman and as a person with special knowledge of litter and environmental matters. He was for a number of years a member and Chair of the Municipal Waste Advisory Council, which is a standing committee of the WA Local Government Association (WALGA). Michael has a deep understanding of community attitudes towards litter.

Deputy Chair Genette Keating

– is president of the Consumers' Association of WA. Genette has represented the interests of consumers on KABC for many years. She is a keen environmental scientist and sustainability advocate with an extensive understanding of the concern and involvement of consumers in the numerous issues affecting our littering behaviour and its outcomes.

Member William Adams

– represents WA Local Government Association – Regional. William is a councillor at the Shire of Harvey and has represented the WALGA on KABC on several occasions. He contributed to framing the current litter prevention strategy, emphasising the need for partnerships and collaboration between local government and key stakeholders. William retired from WALGA and advised of his resignation from KABC on 30 August 2021.

Member Don Burnett

– represents WALGA – Metropolitan. Don is the chief executive officer at the Shire of Peppermint Grove. Before this he was chief executive officer at the cities of Subiaco and Kalgoorlie-Boulder, and the Town of Northam. He has also worked at the Shire of Wyndham-East Kimberley and the Shire of Wanneroo. Don spent seven years early in his career in the state public service, working in the audit and local government departments. He has more than 30 years in the local government sector in senior roles, with extensive experience working in the regions, and has an MBA from the University of WA.

Member Lisa Fanciulli

– represents the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries (DLGSCI). Lisa has more than 30 years' experience in the public sector in a wide range of strategic policy and service delivery roles. She is currently executive director, infrastructure at DLGSCI and has previously held roles as director, waste strategy with DWER and executive director, major transport projects with the Department of Transport. Lisa has a degree in accounting and finance, and postgraduate qualifications in public policy.

Member Howard Flinders

– represents the Department of Education. Howard brings more than 25 years' experience in education to KABC, including 13 years teaching in the primary education sector and 14 years working with the Department of Education as a project manager-consultant in education for sustainability. He has a long-standing interest in waste management issues, including litter prevention, particularly as they relate to biodiversity conservation.

Member Jason Menzies

– represents the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA). Jason holds a degree in environmental science and, since graduating in 1999, has blended environmental science with social science in a variety of roles in the private and government sectors. Jason has spent the past decade working for the Swan River Trust and DBCA as the community engagement manager for the rivers and estuaries branch. In this role, he has overseen the successful development and delivery of the River Guardians program – a river focused community education and behaviour change program.

Member Christine Parfitt

– represents the Conservation Council WA Inc. Christine has a strong background in marine science and became particularly concerned about plastic pollution while living in Indonesia. She subsequently founded the charity Bottle for Botol, which educates and enables students in Indonesia to access plastic-free drinking water. To date, they have prevented more than 15 million plastic cups from being used in schools. Christine is currently undertaking a PhD in behavioural science and plastic pollution at the University of WA.



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Better Places

A quality environment with liveable and affordable communities and vibrant regions

Performance management framework

Contribution to State Government goals

Under the State Government's Outcomes Based Management Framework, KABC contributes to the goal of 'Better Places: A quality environment with liveable and affordable communities and vibrant regions'.

Table 3 Mapping State Government goals

State Government goal

Better Places: A quality environment with liveable and affordable communities and vibrant regions

Strategic objectives for litter prevention

- Objective 1:** Increase community understanding of the impacts of litter on the environment to bring about behaviour change
- Objective 2:** Contribute to the long-term prevention of litter and marine debris
- Objective 3:** Regulation and enforcement of the *Litter Act 1979*
- Objective 4:** Monitor the level of litter in Western Australia and its marine environment and evaluate the effectiveness of programs

Role of the Keep Australia Beautiful Council

Apply KABC Fund moneys to develop and deliver a range of programs and initiatives to promote litter prevention and proper waste disposal in public places throughout Western Australia supported by:

- collecting robust data
- encouraging behaviour change through a range of interventions
- encouraging community participation
- enforcing the Litter Act
- supporting the community and partner organisations by providing litter collection and mitigation materials and tools.

Financial operation

The KABC Fund received State Government grants from the Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Account through the Waste Authority and from DWER. It also received revenue from litter infringements and enforcement activities and the sale of items. KABC received program sponsorship from MRWA, WARRRL and Mars Wrigley. During 2021-22, a range of corporate support functions and services were provided by DWER through a service level agreement.

In addition, the KABC Fund received a calculated interest on its balance of \$122.

Expenditure from the KABC Fund must be consistent with the annual business plan, or as approved by the Minister. The KABC Fund revenue and expenditure is summarised in the statement of cash flows.



Snapshot

In 2021-22, the KABC Fund had an opening balance of **\$715,446**, of which **\$324,864** was unspent funds from the regional roadside litter campaign funded by MRWA.

The 2021-22 KABC Fund expenditure was **\$1,692,382**.

The closing balance as of 30 June 2022 was **\$555,949**.

The Auditor General provided an unqualified independent audit opinion on KABC Fund statements and key performance indicators.

Governance

Processes are in place within DWER to monitor and audit the financial performance of the KABC Fund in accordance with the *Financial Management Act 2006*. The management of the KABC Fund is regarded as a DWER service for the purposes of sections 52 and 53 of the *Financial Management Act 2006*. The DWER chief finance officer (CFO) is KABC's CFO.

Executive Summary

Litter Prevention Strategy

2020 - 2025



Government goal
 Better Places:
 A quality environment
 with liveable and
 affordable communities
 and vibrant regions.

KABC Vision
 To strive for a litter free
 Western Australia.

Target
 30 per cent
 reduction in litter
 from 2020.

Strategic Objectives

Increase community understanding of the impacts of litter on the environment and support behaviour change

Raise the profile of impacts of litter on the natural and built environment

Provide free litter education to primary and secondary school students

Provide targeted opportunities to regional and remote communities for engagement with litter prevention programs

Ensure easy public access to litter information

Develop programs and campaigns to address priority litter types

Contribute to the long-term prevention of litter and marine debris

Provide support, ICWA insurance and resources to KABC volunteers

Provide support to community groups and local governments for litter prevention projects

Local government is supported in litter prevention and mitigation

Schools are provided with infrastructure and tools to prevent and clean up litter

Remote Aboriginal communities are supported to be litter free

KABC to design out single use plastics

KABC maintains partnerships and seeks new ones that engage communities of support

Regulation and enforcement of the Litter Act 1979

Litter Report Scheme enables registered reporters to report littering from cars

KABC investigators install CCTV at strategic locations to collect evidence of littering

KABC investigators prepare court cases and assist witnesses for the State when infringements are challenged in court

KABC enables registered reporters to report littering via the online portal and mobile app

KABC promotes litter enforcement activity

Monitor the level of litter in Western Australia and its marine environment and evaluate program effectiveness

Reliable litter data is collected from a range of sources

Data is collected on engagement programs

Supporting Documents

1. Litter Act 1979
2. Annual reports
3. Clean Schools Learning about Litter
4. Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities Awards guidelines
5. KABC website
6. Newsletter Litter-ature
7. Adopt-a-Spot registration
8. Community Litter Grants program guidelines
9. MOUs with local governments, NGOs
10. Litter Report Scheme registration
11. AusLM - Australian litter measurement tool
12. Australian marine debris initiative (AMDII) database
13. ICWA insurances
14. Code of Conduct
15. Charter
16. Conflict of Interest Policy
17. Risk Framework



**KABC
performance**



Facebook and Instagram continued to be used as engagement tools, with 4,988 and 1,107 followers respectively as of 30 June 2022.

KABC performance

Report on operations

KABC’s activities are aligned with the four strategic objectives in the *Litter Prevention Strategy for Western Australia 2020–2025*.

Strategic
objective

1

Increase community understanding of the impacts of litter on the environment and support behaviour change

KABC seeks to engage the community in a variety of ways, including campaign messaging, collaboration with stakeholder groups who have direct access to communities of interest, and through a range of participation programs.

Campaigns

The KABC brand and anti-litter message were promoted across a range of events and activities in 2021-22, with the ongoing 2017 ‘Bin it – you know it’s the right thing to do’ anti-litter campaign as the overarching message. KABC is currently developing new assets for social media, bin stickers, posters, radio and a television commercial (TVC) that can be used for ongoing outdoor cinema advertising.

Video advertisements are made available on KABC’s website for promotional use and are provided to local governments to use at events. Print advertisements were placed on bins in **40 locations in 12 local government areas**.

Facebook and Instagram continued to be used as engagement tools, with **4,988 and 1,107 followers** respectively as of 30 June 2022. Campaign resources continued to be distributed via local governments, community resource centres and at sponsored community events.

The program’s three key performance indicators as measured against targets were achieved:

Table 4 KPIs for Campaigns

Program	Measure	2021-22 Target
Campaigns	Number of channels through which messaging is promoted	Campaigns delivered on <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facebook • Instagram • Natsales • Attendance at external events
	Campaign design is evidence-based and draft materials are tested	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data and other information used to scope campaign • Focus group testing of draft materials to inform design and message
	By reach, frequency, click-through rate, cost per click.	In accordance with campaign targets

KABC website

The KABC website is a user-friendly information source for the community, as well as a platform for promoting opportunities to participate in anti-litter activities, such as clean-up events, competitions and programs.

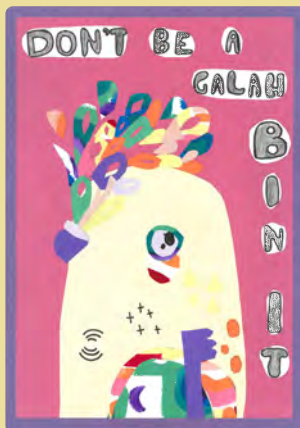
The website hosts registration pages for key programs, including Adopt-a-Spot, the Litter Report Scheme, Clean Schools and the Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities Awards. The website also enables online purchasing of resources and has a range of reporting forms for program evaluation.

Events

KABC volunteers contributed many hours to major event clean-ups, and KABC provided litter collection bags, car litter bags, pocket ashtrays and pop-up bins to organisations promoting the anti-litter message at events. KABC managed or participated in 16 events.

Table 5 Events

2021	Name of event
1 July	Plastic Free July launch co-hosted with North Cottesloe Surf Life Saving Group, Western Metropolitan Regional Council and the Town of Cottesloe
18 July	International Coastal Clean-up event at Whitfords Nodes beach with Austral Fisheries
25 July	River Clean-Up event on the Swan River with SUP Tonic
1 August	National Tree Planting Day and clean up event with Kalgoorlie Boulder Urban Landcare Group
16–22 August	During Keep Australia Beautiful week, clean-ups and community engagement events took place in the regional towns of Boddington, Cervantes, Geraldton, Kalbarri and Mullewa
17 October	WA Beach Clean-up event with City of Wanneroo at Two Rocks
20 November	Inaugural Rottneest Beach Clean with North Cottesloe Surf Life Saving Club
26 November	Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities Awards state event at Optus Stadium in Burswood
27 November	AUSMAP survey with Dr Michelle Blewitt at North Cottesloe Surf Life Saving Club
2022	
9 January	Bridgetown River Clean Up with SUP Tonic and Transition to Bridgetown
March	Clean Up Australia Day events took place in the cities of Albany and Cockburn, and the Town of Cottesloe
14 May	Clean-up event in Dampier with Pilbara Boat and Dive Tours and 18 scuba divers to open the Community Litter Grant round 2022
15 May	Clean-up event in Port Hedland with Care for Hedland and launch of Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities Awards 2022
29 May	Clean-up event in Geraldton with Gero Clean-up Crew
11 June	World Oceans Day clean-up with City of Bunbury and Dolphin Discovery Centre
28 June	Plastic Free July launch at North Cottesloe Beach



Clean Schools

The Clean Schools program aims to change the littering behaviour of students and reduce litter in schools. As of 30 June 2022, 725 Western Australian primary and secondary schools, and other organisations involved in waste management education such as day-care centres, were participating in the program.

There were **74 registrations** for the program during 2021-22, compared with 111 in the previous year. Each registrant was provided with a resource package, including a step-by-step guide to implementing the program and a thumb drive of downloadable resources.

In 2021-22, **eight professional development workshops** were held in metropolitan and regional areas, as well as two online sessions. There was a total of 96 attendees, compared with 120 in the previous year. This included six workshops in partnership with the Waste Authority's Waste Wise Schools program. Attendance numbers were affected by Covid 19. Teachers cancelled due to contracting the virus, being a close contact and needing to isolate, or the inability to find relief staff to attend the session.

KABC Services officers presented in classrooms and at events held at La Salle College, Boddington District High School, Kalbarri District High School and Swan Christian College.

KABC Services officers also contributed to numerous education events, including:

- regional school visits to St Joseph's schools and O'Connor Education Support Centre in Kalgoorlie-Boulder
- regional school visits to Geraldton Christian College, Geraldton Grammar School, Holland Street School and St Lawrence School in Geraldton
- clean-up and audit event with students from Mullewa District High School
- presented litter-prevention lesson and clean-up to South Thornlie Primary School, Swan Christian College and St Emile's Catholic Primary School out-of-school-hours care
- presented litter-prevention lesson to Year 4 at Swan Christian College. Followed up with a clean-up and audit at Lilac Hill removing 39 kilograms of litter. This data was added to the Australian Marine Debris Initiative (AMDI) database
- litter collections and audits with data from these are added to AMDI
 - North Cottesloe Beach with Presbyterian Ladies' College, collecting 16.5 kilograms
 - Freshwater Bay with Presbyterian Ladies' College, collecting 4 kilograms
 - Trigg Beach with 180 Year 8 students from St Mary's Anglican Girls School
 - Swan Christian College with 100 Year 9 students at Whitfords Nodes and Sorrento Beach
 - North Cottesloe Beach with Presbyterian Ladies' College for Clean Up Australia Day, collecting 4.5 kilograms
 - Swan River with Christ Church Grammar School
 - O'Reilly Park with Djidi Djidi Aboriginal School collected 38 kilograms. Djidi Djidi Aboriginal School has now adopted this area through the Adopt-a-Spot program.



The Kimberley Bushrangers Conference was held online and the Canning River Eco Education Centre Earth Day Expo was cancelled due to Covid 19.

Clean Schools also offered schools the opportunity to have student-designed stickers placed on bins around their school. KABC supplied 18 custom stickers to registered schools, promoting a positive litter-free message. Five schools in WA took up this free offer.



The program's two key performance indicators as measured against targets were achieved:

Table 6 KPIs for Clean Schools

Program	Measure	2021-22 Target
Clean Schools	Number of school registrations/year	40
	Number of professional learning workshops provided/year	Eight

Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities Awards

The Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities Awards recognise and reward communities that seek to reduce litter, embrace the concept of sustainability and take positive action to protect and enhance their environment. The sponsors were Australian Institute of Management WA, Vanguard Press, Natsales and WARRRL.

Thirty-four Western Australian regional and remote communities registered for the awards, which recognised the efforts of local shires, individuals and groups across eight categories. Some 7,773 volunteers spent about 58,000 hours in total participating in the projects entered in the awards.

Boddington was announced as the state winner at the awards ceremony at Optus Stadium on 26 November 2021 in recognition of its outstanding community environmental and social action, recycling efforts and quirky art projects. Boddington received \$2000 in prize money as well as \$2000 towards the cost of attending the National Tidy Towns event in Hastings in Victoria in July 2022. Category winners received \$500 each as well as sponsor prizes, including a personalised bin and funds for signage.

KABC supplied 18 custom stickers to registered schools, promoting a positive litter-free message. Five schools in WA took up this free offer.



Some 7,773 volunteers spent about 58,000 hours in total participating in the projects entered in the awards.



2021 category winners were:

- City of Karratha** Litter Prevention and Waste Management
- Cunderdin** Young Legends
- Cuballing** Environmental Sustainability
- Boyup Brook** Environmental Education
- Norseman** Heritage and Culture
- Gnowangerup** Community Action and Wellbeing
- Donnybrook** General Appearance
- Port and South Hedland** Containers for Change, sponsored by WARRRL
- Kim Eckert, Kalgoorlie Urban Landcare Group** Leadership Award, sponsored by Australian Institute of Management WA

The program's three key performance indicators as measured against targets were achieved:

Table 7 KPIs for Tidy Towns

Program	Measure	2021–22 Target
Tidy Towns	Number of communities that register for 2021 Tidy Towns Awards	30
	Number of Tidy Towns events held each year	Two
	Number of regional community clean-up events	Two

2021–22 Community Litter Grants

A total of \$161,179 was requested, with \$37,836 being granted to 14 applicants for the following projects in 2021–22.

Table 8 Community Litter Grants

Organisation	Project title	Synopsis	Amount granted
Bunbury Dolphin Discovery Inc	DDC Storm Chasers	A new group, Dolphin Discovery Centre Storm Chasers (DDC Storm Chasers), will regularly monitor and collect litter, look for marine life affected by litter and through advocacy bring awareness and change to marine litter debris on beaches in the area. A trailer was purchased and used for promotional exhibits and involvement at events.	\$4,978
City of Perth	Claisebrook Clean	A Seabin trial in Claisebrook Cove (East Perth) for 12 months to remove and analyse litter. Educate the community about the effects of litter and encourage behaviour change.	\$5,000
SUP Tonic Australia	Community River Clean up	Items to assist in collecting trapped debris and litter for volunteers in SUP Tonic clean up events. Signage and creation of community awareness of litter in the rivers and clean ups in progress.	\$2,044
KABC - Albany - Western Family Group	Museum Pond Rubbish Catchment	The placement of a mesh basket to the end of a pipe entering Princess Royal Harbour, catching litter which poses a high pollution problem to the harbour.	\$3,135
Coastal Waste Warriors Inc	Clean Waterways - Cigarette Butt Campaign	Coastal Waste Warriors clean up data shows that butts are the number one source of litter in our waterways. The project will implement a behaviour change campaign to reduce butt litter and build upon KABC's 'Bin Your Butt' campaign. Activities include video creation, butt bins and stickers, and monitoring butt collections within the Peel region.	\$3,148
Town of Port Hedland	Secure Your Load	A community awareness and netting campaign to instil a sense of pride and littering behaviour change. Education and communication campaign along with the provision of nets.	\$4,000
Adventure Kids Entertainment	Curtis and Martha's Litter Less Kids Show	Curtis (Crab) and Martha (Mermaid) 'Litter Less' Ocean Adventure Show aimed at 3-9 year olds about the impact of litter on oceans and beaches. In partnership with Cockburn Council, four interactives shows followed by a clean up after each show.	\$3,242
Pilbara Dive and Tours	Pilbara Conservation and Clean up	Funding for dive hire equipment for 10 volunteers to carry out underwater clean up on a day during KAB Week.	\$772
Transition Bridgetown	Bridgetown Blackwood River Clean up	The Blackwood River Clean up event, including auditing litter, aimed at recreational users to engage them in litter clean ups.	\$2,360
Green Teach SW Inc.	Lessen Litter Lessons	Audio visual equipment to share 'Lessen Litter Lessons' regarding eliminating litter in and around waterways in the South West's Leschenault Estuary and ocean.	\$1,766
Walpole CRC	Adopt a Beach Quiz Night extravaganza - plus clean-up day	A quiz night, including films and speakers, to encourage community members to adopt a beach and participate in clean ups.	\$430
Shire of Exmouth	Keep Exmouth Clean Project	Cargo nets for unsecured loads on trailers to reduce litter coming off trailers.	\$4,000
No Butts about it (International) Ltd	Bin those Butts	Supporting the KABC's 'No Butts About It', this campaign identifies hotspots and engages individuals, organisations and councils to pick up butts. Selected participants participate in the 'Butt Muncher Box' program and deposit butts for recycling by Fungi Solutions.	\$2,378
Shire of Nungarin	Nungarin Caravan Park - Keep it Clean Initiative	Bins, cigarette butt bins to address littering and rubbish at Nungarin Caravan Park due to the influx of tourists and visitors. Monitoring of litter and bin content.	\$583
			\$37,836

The program's two key performance indicators as measured against targets were achieved:

Table 9 KPIs for Community Litter Grants

Program	Measure	2021-22 Target
Community Litter Grants	Number of projects aligned to the Litter Strategy that are funded and acquitted	14
	Number of grant events attended	Two

Strategic
objective
2

Contribute to the long-term prevention of litter and marine debris

KABC provides support for community participation to keep local areas free of litter together with rewards to reinforce desired behaviours. Ensuring litter-free spaces through prevention and clean-ups is important because research suggests an environment that is kept clean is less likely to attract litter.

Adopt-a-Spot

The Adopt-a-Spot program is a popular community engagement program, involving more than **53,000 registered volunteers** since it began in 2009.

The program engages volunteers to undertake litter clean-ups at registered sites in their communities to contribute towards a litter-free WA. As of 30 June 2022, there were 1,881 groups registered in the Adopt-a-Spot program, with **216 groups** joining in 2021-22. Clean-up reports submitted during 2021-22 showed volunteers removed more than 3,500 bags of rubbish from the environment. As each bag holds about 15 litres of rubbish, it is estimated about 52,500 litres of rubbish were removed from the environment across the state's highways, local streets, parks, waterways, bushland, beaches, riversides and wetlands.



Adopt-a-Spot volunteers rarely undertake litter audits so report on bags of litter collected rather than the number of items, which are reported in KABC annual litter survey.

The Adopt-a-Spot program has been well received in Early Learning Centres to educate young children about KABC's litter prevention messages. Four age-specific clean-up kits have been developed and loaned to Busy Bees North, Mercy Care Early Learning Centre and to the Community Development Offices in the City of Swan and the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale.

The Adopt-a-Spot community consists of groups, families, individuals, schools and clubs, and demonstrates the community's ongoing commitment to ensuring our environment is litter free. Partnerships with local governments and MRWA to promote the program continue to increase participation from local communities.

The program's key performance indicator as measured against targets was achieved:

Table 10 KPIs for Adopt-a-Spot

Program	Measure	2021-22 Target
Adopt-A-Spot	Number of new registrations	100 new Adopt-A-Spot registrations/year

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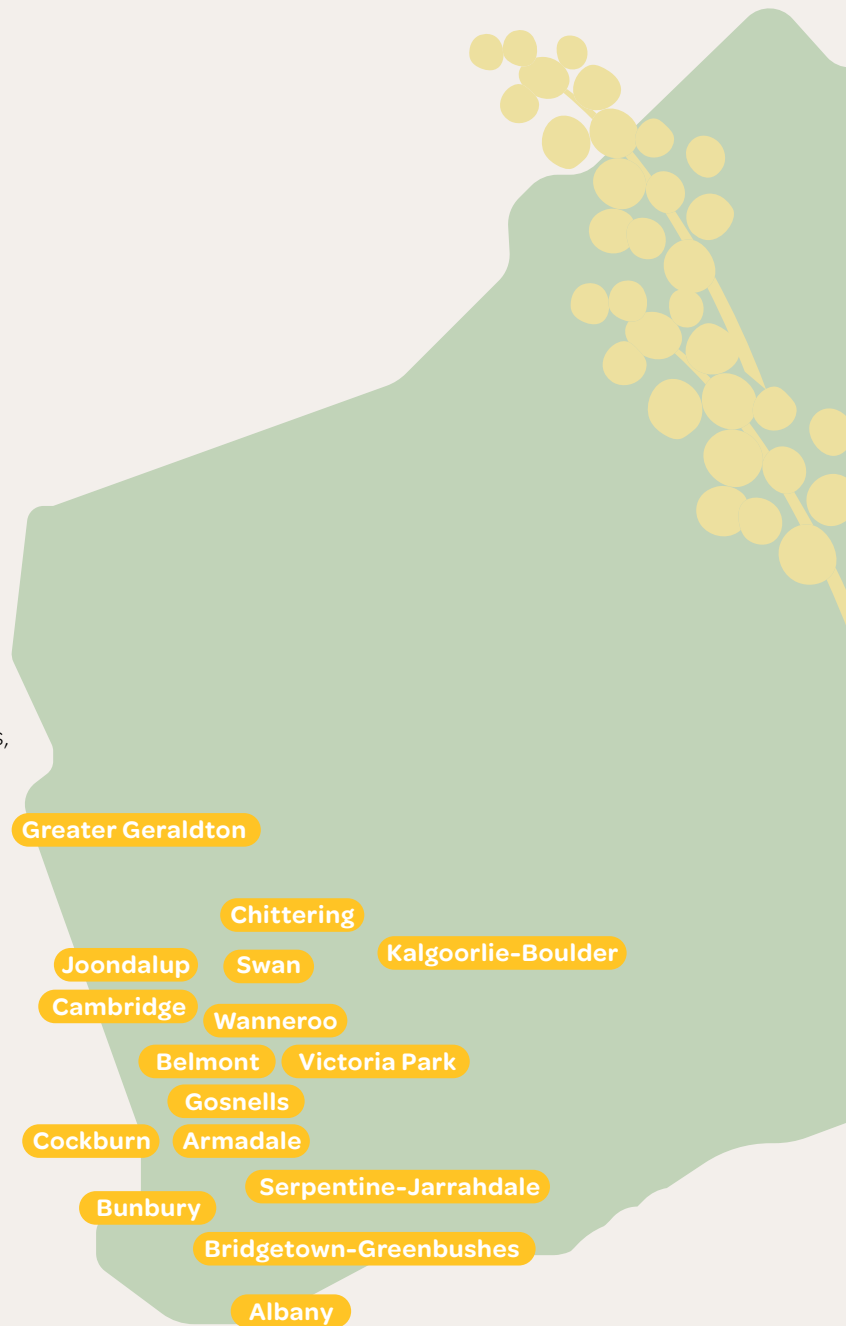
Local government

Working with local government continues to be very important to the success of the Litter Prevention Strategy.

KABC has ongoing agreements with 16 local governments (the cities of Albany, Armadale, Belmont, Bunbury, Cockburn, Gosnells, Greater Geraldton, Joondalup, Kalgoorlie-Boulder, Swan and Wanneroo; shires of Bridgetown-Greenbushes, Chittering and Serpentine-Jarrahdale; and towns of Cambridge and Victoria Park) to promote the Adopt-a-Spot program.

KABC also partners with the not-for-profit organisation Care for Hedland. KABC continues to seek out opportunities to form partnerships with metropolitan and regional local governments for the delivery and promotion of the Adopt-a-Spot program.

KABC has partnered with 16 local governments to promote the 'If you leave litter, you're rubbish' message on bins and through other local government assets (e.g. signage in buildings).



Main Roads Western Australia

KABC continued to implement actions under a five-year MOU with MRWA, including:

- major roadside clean-ups on controlled access highways
- Outback Pack assembly and distribution
- the mobilisation of Adopt-a-Spot groups to undertake clean-ups on regional roads controlled by MRWA.

Campaign material for the 'WA Naturally Thanks You' regional roadside litter prevention program was finalised and a request for quotation for campaign resources released. This is a statewide roadside litter prevention program funded by MRWA. The program includes roadside signage, free compostable car litter bags and a social media campaign aimed at changing the littering behaviour of motorists and passengers to reduce the number of items thrown out of car windows.

Actions that were implemented or continued under the MOU include:

- support and further development of the MRWA statewide litter communication and action plan
- ongoing financial support and coordination of the Outback Pack program
- provision of traffic management and safety induction for Adopt-a-Spot groups undertaking clean-ups on MRWA estate
- deployment of KABC surveillance cameras in litter hotspots
- provision of litter prevention signage templates to regions.

A new five-year MOU has been developed to continue the strong partnership between KABC and MRWA, reflecting the evolution of the activities and commitments of both agencies. This MOU will guide joint actions between KABC and MRWA for the life of the current Litter Prevention Strategy until 2025.



Outback Packs

Outback Packs continued to provide travellers with tools to manage their own litter and conduct clean-ups at rest areas, campsites and on roadsides. The program continued to be financially supported by MRWA in 2021–22.

During the year, **11,700 Outback Packs** were assembled and 7,125 were distributed.

The packs were assembled by students from Lumen Christi College, Presbyterian Ladies' College, and Swan Christian College (Justice League) as part of their community service commitment.

In response to the State Government position on single-use plastics, the contents of Outback Packs are being reviewed because there are several items that are single-use plastic. KABC has made a commitment to removing single-use plastic from its program resources by the end of the current Litter Prevention Strategy. Outback Packs have been redesigned to reduce the amount of single-use plastic and now include more reusable resources. Outback Packs in the 2021–22 financial year were a mixture of new and old-style packs ahead of a complete transition to reusable resources in 2022–23.

Funding for Outback Packs has been secured to 2025 for the life of the Litter Prevention Strategy.

Tangaroa Blue Foundation Partnership

Under the Marine Debris Project, KABC has continued its 17-year partnership with Tangaroa Blue Foundation, an Australia-wide, not-for-profit organisation dedicated to the removal and prevention of marine debris. The major event under this partnership is the WA Beach Clean-up.

Tangaroa Blue hosted its 17th annual WA Beach Clean-up on the weekend of 16-17 October 2021, with the support of KABC. A total of **1,439 volunteers** converged on 100 beaches to remove and audit marine debris from 215 kilometres of coastline.

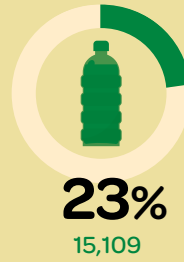
KABC provided a \$5,000 grant to support event administration as well as in-kind support including:

- insurance for registered participants
- promotion of the clean-up to KABC stakeholders via the website (www.kabc.wa.gov.au), a Litter-ature e-newsletter, and email alerts to more than 25,000 KABC supporters and their networks
- clean-up support and advice from KABC staff.

During the October weekend, more than three tonnes of debris were collected and audited.



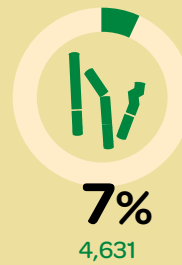
1 Plastic bits and pieces (hard and solid)



2 Rope & net scraps (less than 1 m)



3 Cigarette butts and filters



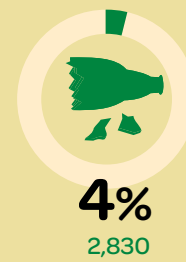
4 Plastic food packaging (wrap, packets, containers)



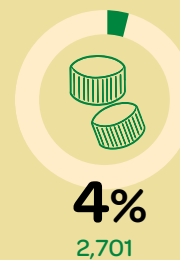
5 Plastic film remnants (bits of plastic bag, wrap etc)



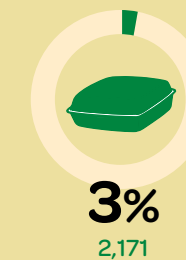
6 Glass or ceramic (broken)



7 Lids and tops (pump spray, flow restrictor and similar)



8 Foam insulation & packaging (whole and remnants)



9 Rope (estimated length in metres)



10 Straws, confection sticks, cups, plates & cutlery



A total of 1,439 volunteers converged on 100 beaches to remove and audit marine debris from 215 kilometres of coastline.



The five key performance indicators as measured against targets were mostly achieved:

Table 12 KPIs for partnerships

Program	Measure	2021–22 Target
Partnerships – Local government, MRWA, AUSMAP and Tangaroa Blue	Number of existing MOUs that are maintained	10
	Number of new MOUs with local governments	Two
Roadside litter campaign with MRWA	Reduction in roadside litter on major regional roads in WA. Delays in construction of campaign material has led to the postponement of the implementation of the program	30 per cent reduction
Outback Packs	Number of outback packs produced and distributed	10,000
	Travellers are provided with the tools to collect litter from rest areas along regional roads	Number of packs distributed to visitor centres

Marine Debris Project

KABC formalised a Marine Debris Program in 2021-22. Initiatives included:

- liaison and scheduling training with the AUSMAP Microplastics citizen science program
- marine debris collections and audits with schools and community groups around WA and on Christmas Island. Data from these events was added to the Australian Marine Debris Initiative (AMDII) database.

Dampier Archipelago Marine Debris Survey

Marine debris on the islands of the Dampier Archipelago had previously been identified as an issue, and anecdotal evidence suggested the debris was primarily of local origin. Concerns about its impact on the local environment warranted a more detailed study.

In total, **3,050 items** were collected, weighing 310 kilograms. In addition, 34 large items that could not be removed by hand were recorded for later collection. A draft report outlining the findings of the Dampier Marine Debris Survey carried out in May 2021 in conjunction with the Parks and Wildlife Service of DBCA and the Department of Transport has been completed. The report is currently being reviewed by DBCA staff.

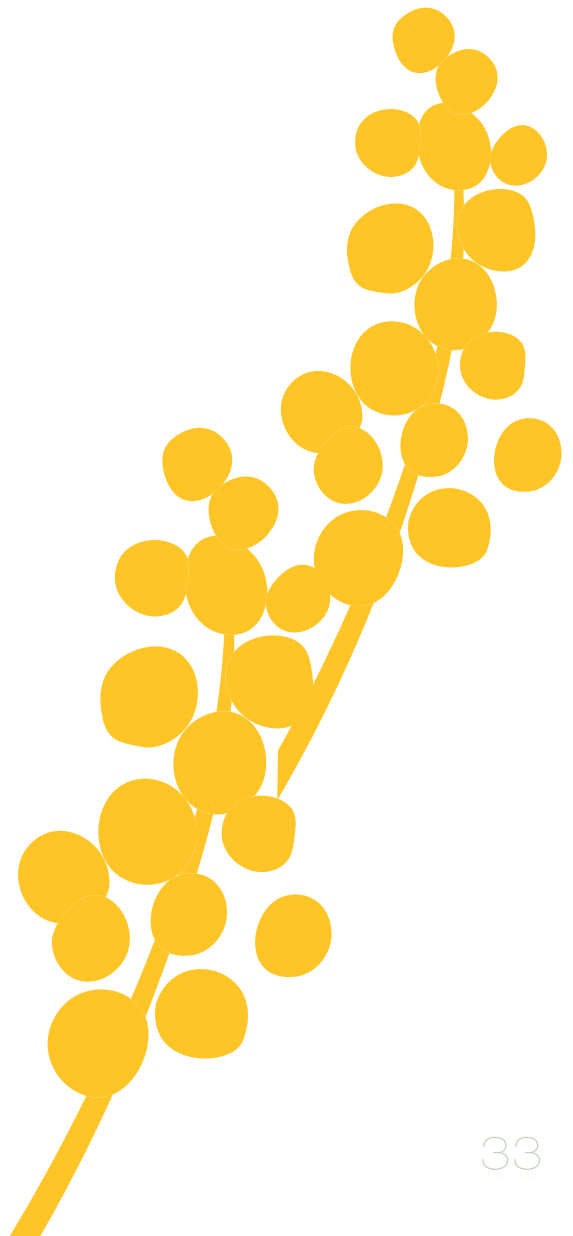
Results from debris collection from 16 kilometres of coastline of the Dampier Archipelago, including sites on Enderby, Angel, Gidley and East and West Lewis Islands, show:

Top 10 items encountered in order of abundance

Broken hard plastic remnants (23 per cent of all items)	696
Low friction jetty fender plastic (9 per cent of all items)	280
Rope and net scraps under 1 metre	257
Aluminium cans	157
Plastic lids and bottle tops	156
Foam insulation and packaging	120
Plastic drink bottles	119
Processed timber (mainly from boats)	101
Rubber strips (1 metre long, black, blue and white)	105
Insulated wire	91

Notable items encountered

- **low friction jetty fender plastic** – blue and black (about 9 per cent of all items, 14 per cent of all plastic and 30 per cent of hard plastic remnants)
- **rope** – 58 sections of rope greater than 1 metre in length. In total, 318 metres of rope recorded, plus 257 rope remnants under 1 metre
- **rubber strips** – 1 metre long (black, blue and white)
- **absorbent material** from booms
- **historical dumping of rubbish** on Enderby Island – extensive buried rubbish, including cans, glass bottles, cutlery, crockery and food packaging. From the material, we are dating this rubbish as 1970s or 1980s
- **fishing lures** (70)



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The next phase of the project is to identify the source of the debris and to develop source-reduction plans to prevent these items entering the ocean. The team plans to return to the archipelago to monitor debris to establish whether it is historical or an ongoing contemporary issue.

KABC would like to thank the other agencies that assisted with the project – Pilbara Port Authority, Murujuga Aboriginal Corporation, Yara Pilbara, Pilbara Dive and Tours, and the City of Karratha.

Table 13 KPIs for Marine Debris Project

Program	Measure	2021–22 Target
Marine Debris	Number of community beach clean-up and audit events hosted each year	Two
	Number of KAB staff to be trained in AUSMAP methodology	Two

Indian Ocean Territories

DWER provides environmental regulation services to the Indian Ocean Territories (IOT) on behalf of the Australian Government through a service delivery arrangement. A KABC Services officer has continued to visit Christmas Island as part of a community education team to deliver school and community programs under this waste and water service delivery arrangement.

In September 2021, a KABC Services officer provided activities for ‘Water, Our Precious Resource’ at Christmas Island District High School, a week-long program focusing on protecting the drinking water source through correct waste management.

In June 2022, ‘Keeping CI Beautiful’ was planned to promote the beauty of Christmas Island and highlight everyone’s role in keeping the island beautiful. A weekend community litter collection and audit was held at Flying Fish Cove. The school’s program was cancelled as Covid cases rose dramatically and IOT was still in a state of emergency. School students and staff were significantly impacted during this week.

The program’s two key performance indicators as measured against targets were therefore not achieved as DWER was only working on Christmas Island. It is expected that work will recommence with the Shire of Cocos Keeling Islands in the 2022-23 financial year.

Table 14 KPIs for IOT support

Program	Measure	2021–22 Target
Indian Ocean Territories Support	Provide education and training on litter prevention and audits in the IOT on behalf of DWER for the Australian Government	300 students
	Working with schools and/or community to collect and audit marine debris and provide data into the Australian Marine Debris Initiative database	Three visits

Partners and sponsors

KABC acknowledges the following corporate and community sponsors and partners. Without their support, KABC would not have been able to provide the important programs detailed in this annual report.

Waste Authority

Department of Water and
Environmental Regulation

Main Roads Western Australia

Mars Wrigley Pty Ltd

River Guardians, Department
of Biodiversity, Conservation
and Attractions

Tangaroa Blue Foundation Inc.

Care for Hedland

City of Albany

City of Armadale

City of Belmont

City of Bunbury

City of Gosnells

City of Greater Geraldton

City of Joondalup

City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder

City of Swan

City of Wanneroo

Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes

Shire of Chittering

Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale

Town of Cambridge

Town of Victoria Park

Western Australian Local
Government Association

Natsales

Vanguard Press

Australian Institute of
Management WA

Parks and Wildlife Division of
the Department of Biodiversity
Conservation and Attractions,
Karratha Office

Department of Transport,
Karratha Office

WA Return Recycle Renew Limited



Strategic objective 3

Regulation and enforcement of the *Litter Act 1979*

There is a strong argument for ensuring the community is aware of the penalties for littering because regulation is an effective tool in the State Government's behaviour-change toolkit.

Litter Report Scheme

The Litter Report Scheme enables registered members of the community to report littering from vehicles. In 2021–22, an additional 1,027 Western Australians registered to become litter reporters. This brings the **total number of registered litter reporters to 17,664** in 2021–22. A total of 1,034 reports were received by the Litter Report Scheme, which resulted in 664 infringements being issued.

The large discrepancy between the number of registered reporters and number of reports received indicates significant intervention is required. Following recommendations from research undertaken in 2020-21, KABC began a number of actions to encourage registered reporters to become more active. These actions included sending out a regular e-newsletter, development of an easy-to-use reporting website and developing a range of communications/ advertising materials for radio and social media.

The Litter Report Scheme suffered from staff shortages in the December 2021 to March 2022 period, when reports received could not be actioned. This resulted in a greatly reduced percentage of reports being actioned into infringements. This was resolved by April 2022 and the number of infringements issued from reports rose to more normal levels to 30 June.

**1,027
new
litter reporter
registrations**

Litter investigations

KABC investigators enforce the *Litter Act 1979*, focusing efforts on known hotspots and working with local government authorities and government trading enterprises to identify problem areas within their boundaries. Investigators continue to work closely with the cities of Armadale, Cockburn, Wanneroo, Swan, Rockingham, Kwinana and Serpentine Jarrahdale as well as with government agencies such as DBCA, the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage, Western Australian Planning Commission, the Department of Defence, Western Power and Water Corporation.

In 2021-22, KABC Services investigators undertook **88 investigations** resulting in **60 litter infringement notices** and three letters of warning for littering offences. In addition, nine prosecution briefs were compiled, which together resulted in a rate of 81 per cent enforceable outcomes.



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Strategic objective 4

Monitor the level of litter in Western Australia and its marine environment and evaluate program effectiveness

Good data will enable progress to be measured and reported. Data gathered needs to provide a range of data sets to adequately inform policy development and evaluation for a range of State Government program needs.

Australian Litter Measure

In a collaboration of all state and territory environment departments, a new methodology for data collection and analysis was developed for use in all Australian jurisdictions. The Australian Litter Measure (AusLM) offers jurisdictions:

- full access to all data collected
- the ability to, in time, integrate data and share methodology with citizen science projects
- the ability for jurisdictions to integrate specific data requirements beyond the core data set.

The first full AusLM litter audit was undertaken for KABC by Perth NRM in May 2022. The results set the new benchmark for litter reduction to the end of the Litter Prevention Strategy 2020-2025. The audit covered 10 locations (local government areas) and 265 transects within 57 sites. Digital data capture technology was developed by KABC Services staff for use during the survey. There was excellent feedback on how easy it was to use, and it will provide the basis for further technical development.

Consistent with past Western Australian and Australia-wide data, **cigarette butts and filters remain the number one item**, with 38.29 counted per 1,000 m². Cigarette butts were highly concentrated in retail, main road and industrial sites, with 91 per cent found in those three site types. Hard plastic fragments came in second on the list, with 21.90 per 1,000 m². Plastic dominates the litter stream. **Paper and card food packaging was the top litter type by volume.**

The top four littered site types (main roads, industrial, residential and retail) contributed 92.20 per cent of total items counted, or 93.30 per cent of the volume, indicating just 7.80 per cent of items, or 6.7 per cent of volume, was observed between the remaining two site types, parks and beaches.

The audit provided confirmation that the State Government's container deposit scheme, Containers for Change, has been highly effective in reducing litter. The 2022 litter survey showed beverage containers, including those not eligible for the container deposit scheme (CDS), totalled 0.82 per cent of items. This compares to a pre-CDS figure of 12.05 per cent of items.

From a count perspective, main roads were the site type with the highest litter, accounting for 33.49 per cent of the total litter items surveyed. Industrial was second highest, accounting for a further 33.29 per cent. Together, industrial and main roads were responsible for 66.78 per cent of the total items surveyed. Retail sites were the third highest, accounting for 14.76 per cent of the total litter items. Beaches had the lowest litter levels, equating to just 2.39 per cent of the total items.

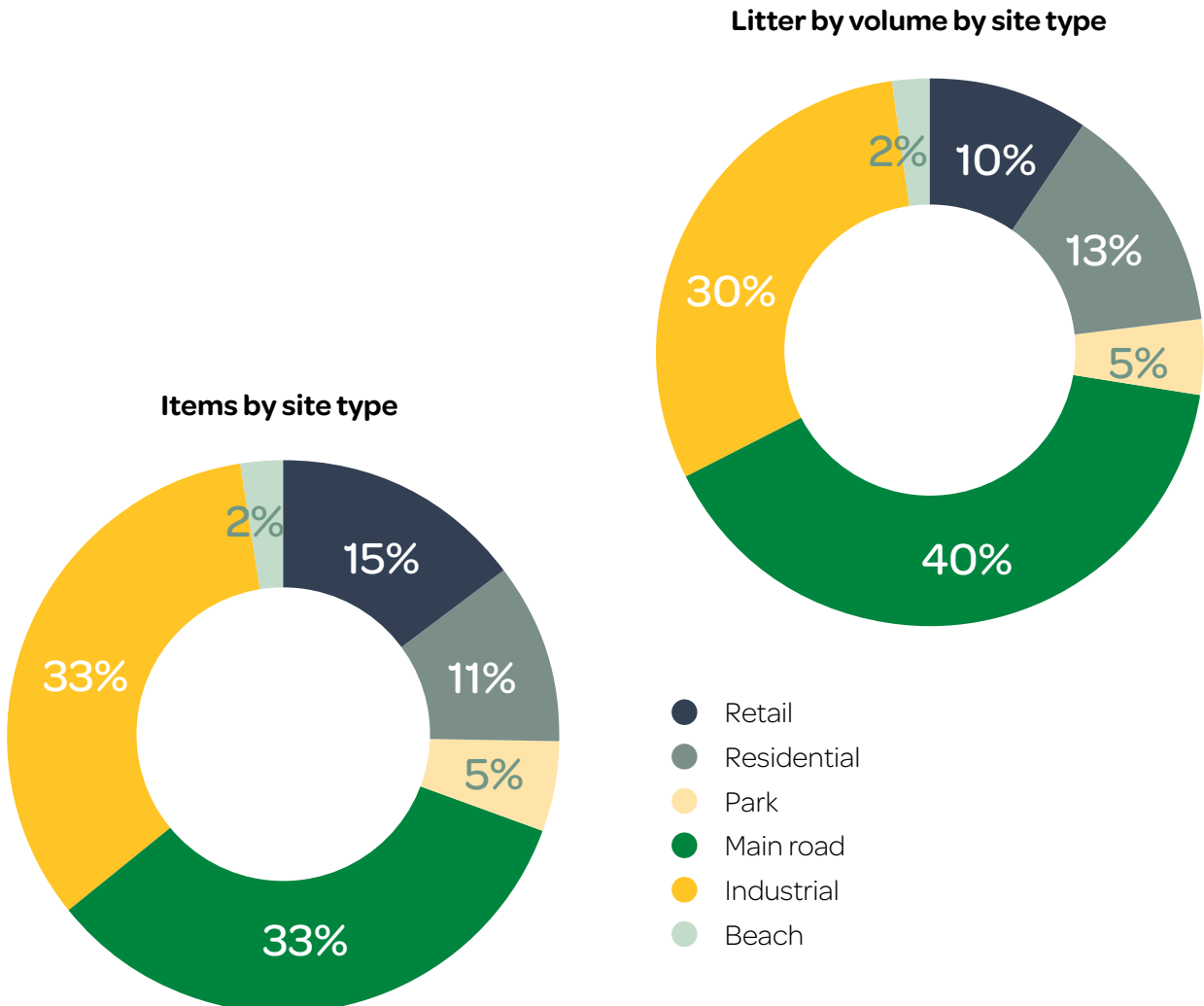
Table 15 Indicator 1.1 – The amount of litter reduction as measured by the AusLM

	Items per 1,000m ²			Volume Litres / 1,000m ²		
	20-21	21-22	21-22	20-21	21-22	21-22
	Pilot	Target	Actual	Pilot	Target	Actual
AusLM	332	300	174	18	16	10.94
Reduction compared with previous year	+297		-158	+12		-10.06

AusLM 2020-22

	Items per 1,000m ²			Volume Litres / 1,000m ²		
	17-18	18-19	19-20	17-18	18-19	19-20
NLI	40	37	36	7.11	5.31	4.7
Reduction compared with previous year	+1	-3	-1	+0.11	-1.8	-0.61

NLI 2016-20



Shared responsibilities with other agencies

Department of Water and Environmental Regulation

Under section 16 of the Litter Act, KABC is provided with the services and facilities of DWER.

DWER provides strategic policy, administrative and program management support, and delivers funded programs. A service level agreement (SLA) between the parties governs the funding of functions carried out for either party in its respective role under the Litter Act.

Disclosures and legal compliance

Ministerial directives

Under the Litter Act, the Minister for Environment may give written directions to KABC, either generally or in relation to particular matters. KABC did not receive any ministerial directions during 2021–22.

Pricing policies

KABC charges on a cost-recovery basis for goods sold through its website.

Remuneration

The remuneration of KABC members is determined by the Governor of WA, on recommendation of the Public Sector Commissioner, in accordance with the *Public Sector Management Act 1994*. Only the chairman receives remuneration. Annual remuneration is outlined in Table 16.

Table 16 Remuneration

Position	Name	Period of membership	Term of appointment	Base sitting fee	Gross remuneration*
Chairman	Michael Aspinall	2021-22	24 December 2018 – 31 December 2021	\$13,000	\$7,456
Deputy	Genette Keating	2021-22	24 December 2018 – 31 December 2021	0	0
Member	William Adams	2020-21	24 December 2018 – 31 December 2021	0	0
Member	Don Burnett	2021-22	24 December 2018 – 31 December 2021	0	0
Member	Lisa Fanciulli	2021-22	24 December 2018 – 31 December 2021	0	0
Member	Howard Flinders	2021-22	24 December 2018 – 31 December 2021	0	0
Member	Jason Menzies	2021-22	24 December 2018 – 31 December 2021	0	0
Member	Christine Parfitt	2020-21	24 December 2018 – 31 December 2021	0	0

* Includes benefits such as superannuation and goods and services tax.

Director and officer liability insurance

KABC members are insured with RiskCover for General Liability, Professional Liability, Personal Accident – Board Members, Personal Accident – Voluntary Workers, Personal Accident – Work Experience, and Travel.

KABC held three meetings during 2021-22. Scheduled meetings were held on the third Thursday of every second month from 19 August 2021. The three-year council term from 2019-2021 expired on 31 December 2021. The new KABC appointments were made on 18 July 2022.

Table 17 Members' meeting attendance

Member	Meetings attended
William Adams*	0
Michael Aspinall	3
Don Burnett	3
Lisa Fanciulli	2
Howard Flinders	1
Genette Keating	3
Jason Menzies	3
Christine Parfitt	3

* William Adams resigned on 30 August 2021

Employment and industrial relations

KABC does not employ staff.

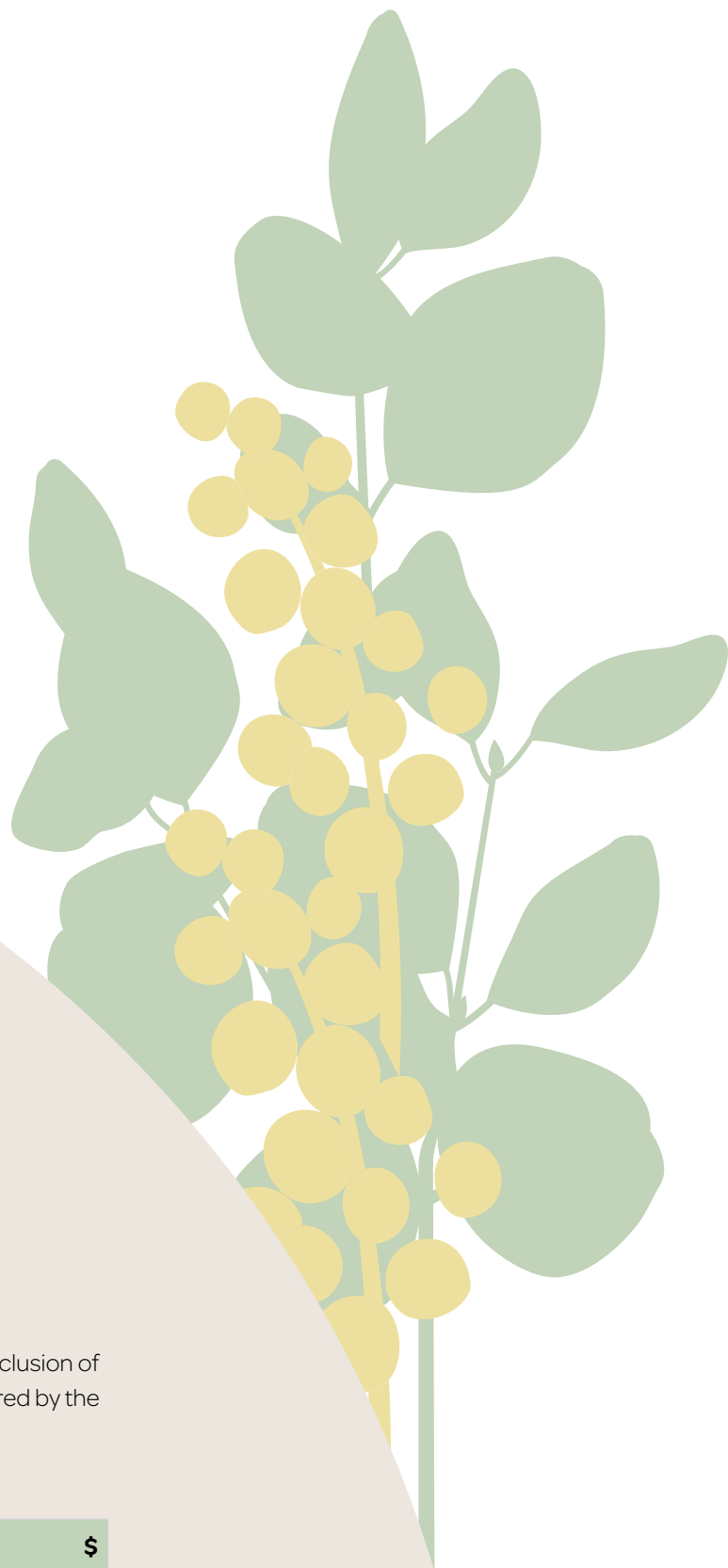
Other legal requirements

Advertising

Section 175ZE of the *Electoral Act 1907* requires the inclusion of a statement detailing all advertising expenditure incurred by the Keep Australia Beautiful Council.

Table 18 Advertising

Program	Agency	\$
Bin It campaign	Natsales	19,749
	Total	19,749



Compliance with public sector standards and ethical codes

A communications agreement between KABC and the Minister for Environment was signed on 1 July 2021.

Ethics and integrity

KABC’s Code of Conduct outlines how KABC commits to operating in the community and in its relationship with the Minister’s Office, DWER and with staff in KABC Services.

KABC members provide signed agreement to their Charter, Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest policies. KABC members undertake training in ethical decision making and accountability as well as cultural awareness training.

Procurement practices follow State Government guidelines and procurement policy.

Organisational structure

Under section 16 of the *Litter Act 1979*, KABC is provided with the services and facilities of any officer employed in the public service.

Services are provided by staff who are employed by DWER under provisions of the *Public Sector Management Act 1994*. DWER’s policies and obligations for reporting on public sector policies apply. Officers are subject to DWER’s human resources policy, information technology and administrative processes, and other policy matters regulated by the *Financial Management Act 2006* and Treasurer’s Instructions.

Table 19 DWER Staff in KABC Services

Staff status	DWER (Keep Australia Beautiful Council Services) staff	Keep Australia Beautiful Council Chairman	Total
Full-time permanent	5		5
Part-time permanent	3		3
Full-time contract	1*		1*
Part-time contract		1	1
Vacant			
Total	9	1	10

* Employed for 4 months

A service level agreement (SLA) for the provision of services from DWER to KABC was implemented. The SLA set out the parties’ understanding of their respective statutory and other legal functions and obligations through a statement of expectations and performance deliverables for provision of services. The value of the functions costed in the SLA was calculated to be \$362,563.

Communication

KABC's Code of Conduct outlines how KABC ensures official information remains confidential, describes the process for public interest disclosure and provides guidance on freedom of information.

KABC ensures that records of decisions and all other documentation are securely retained. Minutes of KABC meetings are circulated to members with meeting agenda papers.

Recordkeeping plan

The KABC complies with the *State Records Act 2000* through adherence to DWER's recordkeeping plan. The KABC follows the procedures required under the Act.

KABC publications

During 2021-22, new publications released on KABC's website were:

- *KABC Annual Report 2020-21*
- Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities Awards *Snapshots* publication
- *Litter-ature* e-newsletters
- Program guidelines - various

Financial statements



Certification of financial statements

For the reporting period ended 30 June 2022

The accompanying financial statements of the Keep Australia Beautiful Council (W.A.) 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 2022 and the financial position as at 30 June 2022.

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



Michael Aspinall

Chairperson

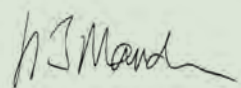
20 September 2022



Christine Parfitt

Deputy Chairperson

20 September 2022



Hilary Manderson

Chief Finance Officer

20 September 2022

Independent Auditor's Opinion



Auditor General

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

2022

Keep Australia Beautiful Council (W.A.)

To the Parliament of Western Australia

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Opinion

I have audited the financial statements of the Keep Australia Beautiful Council (W.A.) (Council) which comprise:

- the Statement of Financial Position at 30 June 2022, and 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 significant 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 Keep Australia Beautiful Council (W.A.) for the year ended 30 June 2022 and the financial position 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 Members of Council for the financial statements

The Members of Council are 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 Members of Council are 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 Council.

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 Keep Australia Beautiful Council (W.A.). The controls exercised by the Members of Council 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 legislative provisions (the overall control objectives).

In my opinion, in all material respects, the controls exercised by the Keep Australia Beautiful Council (W.A.) are sufficiently adequate to provide reasonable assurance that the receipt, expenditure and investment of money, the acquisition and disposal of property and the incurring of liabilities have been in accordance with legislative provisions during the year ended 30 June 2022.

The Members of Council's responsibilities

The Members of Council are 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 Keep Australia Beautiful Council (W.A.) for the year ended 30 June 2022. 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 of the Keep Australia Beautiful Council (W.A.) are relevant and appropriate to assist users to assess the Council's performance and fairly represent indicated performance for the year ended 30 June 2022.

The Members of Council's responsibilities for the key performance indicators

The Members of Council are 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 control as the Members of Council 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 Members of Council are 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 control relating to the reports 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 ASQC 1 *Quality Control for Firms that Perform Audits and Reviews of Financial Reports and Other Financial Information, and Other Assurance Engagements*, the Office of the Auditor General maintains a comprehensive system of quality control including documented policies and procedures regarding compliance with ethical requirements, professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements.

Other information

The Members of Council are responsible for the other information. The other information is the information in the entity's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2022, but not the financial statements, key performance indicators and my auditor's report.

My opinion 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 Keep Australia Beautiful Council (W.A.) for the year ended 30 June 2022 included in the annual report on the Council's website. The Council's management is responsible for the integrity of the Council's website. This audit does not provide assurance on the integrity of the Council'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, controls 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.



Patrick Arulsingham
Senior Director Financial Audit
Delegate of the Auditor General for Western Australia
Perth, Western Australia
20 September 2022

Statement of comprehensive income

for the year ended 30 June 2022

	Notes	2022 \$	2021 \$
COST OF SERVICES			
Expenses			
Employee benefits expense	2.1	862,822	964,732
Grants and subsidies	2.2	54,413	82,725
Supplies and services	2.3	769,948	579,036
Other expenses	2.4	33,611	54,389
Total cost of services		1,720,794	1,680,882
Income			
Grants and subsidies	3.1	46,000	46,000
Charges and fees	3.2	230,435	320,765
Interest revenue		122	421
Other income	3.4	9,425	9,164
Total income		285,982	376,350
NET COST OF SERVICES		1,434,812	1,304,532
Income from State Government			
Income from other public sector entities	3.3	1,026,000	1,018,000
Resources received	3.3	250,563	227,396
Total income from State Government		1,276,563	1,245,396
DEFICIT FOR THE PERIOD		(158,249)	(59,136)
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE EXPENSE FOR THE PERIOD		(158,249)	(59,136)

The Statement of Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Statement of financial position

as at 30 June 2022

	Notes	2022 \$	2021 \$
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	5.1	555,949	715,446
Receivables	4.1	65,388	55,144
Other current assets	4.2	3,824	16,469
Total Current Assets		625,161	787,059
TOTAL ASSETS		625,161	787,059
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Payables	4.3	83,478	87,127
Total Current Liabilities		83,478	87,127
TOTAL LIABILITIES		83,478	87,127
NET ASSETS		541,683	699,932
EQUITY			
Accumulated surplus	7.8	541,683	699,932
TOTAL EQUITY		541,683	699,932

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 2022

	Notes	Accumulated surplus \$	Total equity \$
Balance at 1 July 2020		759,068	759,068
Deficit		(59,136)	(59,136)
Total comprehensive expense for the period		(59,136)	(59,136)
Balance at 30 June 2021	7.8	699,932	699,932
Balance at 1 July 2021		699,932	699,932
Deficit		(158,249)	(158,249)
Total comprehensive expense for the period		(158,249)	(158,249)
Balance at 30 June 2022	7.8	541,683	541,683

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 2022

Notes	2022 \$	2021 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM STATE GOVERNMENT		
Grants	1,026,000	1,018,000
Net cash provided by State Government	1,026,000	1,018,000
Utilised as follows:		
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Payments		
Employee benefits	(871,563)	(847,294)
Supplies and services	(494,032)	(398,559)
Grants and subsidies	(53,614)	(83,025)
GST payments on purchases	(56,313)	(44,170)
GST payments to taxation authority	(47,019)	(51,784)
Other payments	(15,493)	(8,607)
Receipts		
Grants and subsidies	46,000	46,000
Charges and fees	203,314	266,333
Interest received	122	520
GST receipts on sales	93,894	94,254
Other receipts	9,207	9,164
Net cash used in operating activities	(1,185,497)	(1,017,168)
Net (decrease) / increase in cash and cash equivalents	(159,497)	832
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	715,446	714,614
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF PERIOD	555,949	715,446

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The Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Notes to the financial statements

for the year ended 30 June 2022

1 BASIS OF PREPARATION

The Keep Australia Beautiful Council (W.A.) ("Council") is a Western Australia Government entity and is controlled by the State of Western Australia, which is the ultimate parent. The Council is a not-for-profit entity (as profit is not its principal objective).

These annual financial statements were authorised for issue by the Keep Australia Beautiful Council (W.A.) on 20 September 2022.

Statement of compliance

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with:

1. The *Financial Management Act 2006* (**FMA**)
2. Treasurer's Instructions (**TIs**)
3. Australian Accounting Standards (**AAS**) – Simplified Disclosures
4. Where appropriate, those AAS paragraphs applicable for not-for-profit entities have been applied.

The FMA and TIs take precedence over AAS. Several AAS are modified by the TIs to vary application, disclosure format and wording. 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.

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.

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 Council 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.

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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) to 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 figures

Comparative figures are, where appropriate, reclassified to be comparable with the figures presented in the current reporting period.

2 USE OF OUR FUNDING

Expenses incurred in the delivery of services

This section provides additional information about how the Council'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 Council in achieving its objectives and the relevant notes are:

	Notes	2022 \$	2021 \$
Employee benefits expense	2.1	862,822	964,732
Grants and subsidies	2.2	54,413	82,725
Supplies and services	2.3	769,948	579,036
Other expenses	2.4	33,611	54,389

2.1 Employee benefits expenses

	2022 \$	2021 \$
Employee benefits	787,336	882,977
Superannuation – defined contribution plans	75,486	81,755
Total Employee benefits expense	862,822	964,732

Employee Benefits: The Department of Water and Environmental Regulation is the employing authority for staff employed in the Keep Australia Beautiful Council (W.A.) service section. Employee benefits are recouped monthly and the costs include wages and salaries and leave entitlements.

Superannuation: The amount recognised in profit or loss of the Statement of Comprehensive Income comprises employer contributions paid to the GSS (concurrent contributions), the WSS, the GESBs, or other superannuation funds.

The Department of Water and Environmental Regulation is the employing authority for staff employed in the Keep Australia Beautiful Council (W.A.). Provision for benefits accruing to employees in respect of annual leave and long service leave for services rendered are held by the employing authority provisions.

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2.2 Grants and subsidies

The Council promotes waste reduction by engaging the community in providing grants. Funds are applied for, assessed and provided to worthy recipients.

	2022 \$	2021 \$
Recurrent		
Blackwood Youth Action	-	346
Boddington RRR Reduce Reuse Recycle Pty Ltd	-	5,500
Boyup Brook Community Resource Centre Inc	500	3,750
Bridgetown Family and Community Centre Inc	2,360	-
Bunbury Dolphin Discovery Inc	4,978	-
Capel Horse & Pony Club Inc	-	4,962
Care for Hedland Environmental Association Inc	1,100	1,263
City of Albany	3,135	-
City of Bunbury	-	1,500
City of Cockburn	3,242	5,000
City of Joondalup	-	3,817
City of Kalamunda	-	952
City of Karratha	500	-
City of Perth	3,636	-
Coastal Waste Warriors Inc	3,148	-
GNP 360 - The Horsepower Highway	500	-
Green Skills Inc	2,000	-
Green Teach SW Inc	1,766	-
Hopetoun Community Resource Centre	-	1,575
Judumul Advisory Aboriginal Corporation	-	2,224
Kalgoorlie Boulder Urban Landcare Group	900	450
Katanning Land Conservation District Committee	-	1,984
Keep Albany Beautiful Committee	-	1,000
Newdegate Community Resource Centre Inc	-	3,420
No More Butts Ltd	1,902	-
North Cottesloe Surf Life Saving Club	-	1,000
Ocean Cycle Australia	-	3,709
Peel United Soccer Club	-	2,132
Pilbara Dive and Tours	772	-
Red Dirt Blue Sky Inc	500	-
Shire of Boddington	4,000	-
Shire of Capel	1,000	4,000
Shire of Carnamah	420	-

Notes to the financial statements

for the year ended 30 June 2022

	2022	2021
	\$	\$
Shire of Corrigin	-	500
Shire of Cuballing	500	-
Shire of Cunderdin	500	-
Shire Of Donnybrook Balingup	500	-
Shire of Dumbleyung	400	-
Shire of East Pilbara	-	5,000
Shire of Exmouth	5,000	4,000
Shire of Mount Magnet	-	500
Shire of Narrogin	-	4,000
Shire of Shark Bay	-	2,000
Shire of Upper Gascoyne	-	950
Sup Tonic Australia Maree Patrice Martin	2,044	3,000
Tangaroa Blue Foundation Ltd	5,000	5,000
The Undalup association	400	-
Total Environment Centre	-	6,641
Town Of Port Hedland	3,200	-
Walpole Community Resource Centre Inc	430	-
Wellstead Community Resource Centre Inc	-	650
Wongan Tidy Towns Committee	-	500
Yandeyarra Remote Community School	-	950
Yarloop Community Resource Centre Inc	80	-
Lock Hospital Memorial Group	-	450
Total Grants and Subsidies	54,413	82,725

Transactions in which the Council 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.' Grants can either be operating or capital in nature.

Grants can be paid as general purpose grants which refer to grants that are not subject to conditions regarding their use. Alternatively, they may be paid as specific purpose grants which are paid for a particular purpose and/or have conditions attached regarding their use.

Grants and other transfers to third parties (other than contribution to owners) are recognised as an expense in the reporting period in which they are paid or payable. 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.

Notes to the financial statements

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2.3 Supplies and Services

Supplies and services:

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.

	2022 \$	2021 \$
Supplies and services		
Consultants and contractors	272,334	256,734
Consumables and materials	308,741	77,565
Advertising	19,749	60,454
Travel	30,647	43,706
Accommodation	82,573	78,467
Telecommunication Services	2,824	3,104
Catering	9,833	10,939
Other	43,247	48,067
Total supplies and services expenses	769,948	579,036

2.4 Other expenses

	2022 \$	2021 \$
Other expenses		
Expected credit losses expense ^(a)	19,935	47,541
Rental - equipment, vehicles and venues ^(b)	13,676	6,848
Total other expenses	33,611	54,389

(a) **Expected credit losses** is an allowance of trade receivables and is measured at the lifetime expected credit losses at each reporting date. The Council has established a provision matrix that is based on its historical credit loss experience, adjusted for forward-looking factors specific to the debtors and the economic environment.

(b) **Rental expenses** include:

- (i) Short-term leases with a lease term of 12 months or less;
- (ii) Low value leases with an underlying value of \$5,000 or less; and
- (iii) Variable lease payments recognised in the period in which the event or condition that triggers those payments occurs.

Notes to the financial statements

for the year ended 30 June 2022

3 COUNCIL FUNDING SOURCES

How we obtain our funding

This section provides additional information about how the Council obtains its funding and the relevant accounting policy notes that govern the recognition and measurement of this funding.

The Council receives income from the Waste Authority Resource and Recovery legislation, fee income resulting from litter infringement notices (*Litter Act 1979*) and income from the state government.

The primary income received by the Council and the relevant notes are:

	Notes	2022 \$	2021 \$
Grants and subsidies	3.1	46,000	46,000
Charges and fees	3.2	230,435	320,765
Income from State Government	3.3	1,276,563	1,245,396
Other income	3.4	9,425	9,164

3.1 Grants and subsidies

	2022 \$	2021 \$
Indian Ocean Territories	26,000	26,000
Industry Grants and Levies - Mars Wrigley	20,000	20,000
Total grants and subsidies	46,000	46,000

Grants and subsidies are recognised as income at fair value when the grant and subsidies payments are received or receivable.

3.2 Charges and fees

	2022 \$	2021 \$
Fines - litter infringements	230,435	320,765

Income from litter infringements is recognised immediately when issued.

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for the year ended 30 June 2022

3.3 Income from State Government

Income received from other public sector entities during the period:

Grants and subsidies

Department of Water and Environmental Regulation

Main Roads Western Australia

Waste Authority

Total grants and subsidies

Resources from other public sector entities during the period:

Services received free of charge

Department of Water and Environmental Regulation

Total services received

Total income from State Government

	2022 \$	2021 \$
Income received from other public sector entities during the period:		
Grants and subsidies		
Department of Water and Environmental Regulation	112,000	112,000
Main Roads Western Australia	30,000	30,000
Waste Authority	884,000	876,000
Total grants and subsidies	1,026,000	1,018,000
Resources from other public sector entities during the period:		
Services received free of charge		
Department of Water and Environmental Regulation	250,563	227,396
Total services received	250,563	227,396
Total income from State Government	1,276,563	1,245,396

Income from other public sector entities

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

Resources received from other public sector entities

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

3.4 Other income

Sale of Litter Bags

Sponsorships received for Tidy Towns

Other

Total other income

	2022 \$	2021 \$
Sale of Litter Bags	2,909	9,164
Sponsorships received for Tidy Towns	6,300	-
Other	216	-
Total other income	9,425	9,164

Sales

Revenue is recognised at the transaction price when the Council transfers control of the goods or other assets to customers.

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4 ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

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

	Notes	2022 \$	2021 \$
Receivables	4.1	65,388	55,144
Other current assets	4.2	3,824	16,469
Payables	4.3	83,478	87,127

4.1 Receivables

Current

	2022 \$	2021 \$
Trade receivables	278,088	250,295
Allowance for impairment of trade receivables	(215,086)	(195,151)
GST receivable	2,136	-
Other debtors	250	-
Total current	65,388	55,144
Total receivables	65,388	55,144

The Council does not hold any collateral or other credit enhancements as security for receivables.

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.

4.2 Other current assets

Current

	2022 \$	2021 \$
Prepayments	3,824	16,469
Total other current assets	3,824	16,469

Other non-financial assets include prepayments which represent payments in advance of receipt of goods or services or that part of expenditure made in one accounting period covering a term extending beyond that period.

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for the year ended 30 June 2022

4.3 Payables

Current

Trade payables
Accrued expenses
GST payable

Total payables

	2022 \$	2021 \$
Trade payables	12,932	314
Accrued expenses	70,546	78,091
GST payable	-	8,722
Total payables	83,478	87,127

Payables are recognised at the amounts payable when the Council 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 is generally within 15 to 30 days.

5 FINANCING

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

	Notes	2022 \$	2021 \$
Cash and cash equivalents	5.1	555,949	715,446

5.1 Cash and cash equivalents

	2022 \$	2021 \$
Cash and cash equivalents	555,949	715,446

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalent assets comprise 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.

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6 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

This note sets out the key risks management policies and measurement techniques of the Council.

	Notes
Financial instruments	6.1
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6.1 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:

	2022	2021
	\$	\$
<u>Financial assets</u>		
Cash and cash equivalents	555,949	715,446
Financial assets at amortised cost ^(a)	63,252	55,144
Total financial assets	619,201	770,590
<u>Financial liabilities</u>		
Financial liabilities at amortised cost ^(b)	83,478	78,405
Total financial liabilities	83,478	78,405

- (a) The amount of Financial assets at amortised cost excludes the GST recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (statutory receivable).
- (b) The amount of Financial liabilities at amortised cost excludes GST payable to the Australian Taxation Office (statutory payable).

6.2 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.

6.2.1 Contingent assets

The Council had no contingent assets as at 30 June 2022 (2021: None).

6.2.2 Contingent liabilities

Contaminated sites

Under the *Contaminated Sites Act 2003*, the Council is required to report known and suspected contaminated sites to the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER). In accordance with the Act, DWER classifies these sites on the basis of the risk to human health, the environment and environmental values. Where sites are classified as 'contaminated – remediation required' or 'possibly contaminated – investigation required,' the Council may have a liability in respect of investigation or remediation expenses.

During the year, the Council reported no contaminated sites to DWER (2021: None).

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7 OTHER DISCLOSURES

This section includes additional material disclosures required by accounting standards or other pronouncements for the understanding of this financial report.

	Notes
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7.1 Events occurring after the end of the reporting period

There are no significant events that occurred after the end of the reporting period.

7.2 Initial application of Australian Accounting Standards

The following standards are operative for reporting periods ended on or after 30 June 2022:

- AASB 2020-2 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Removal of Special Purpose Financial Statements for Certain For-Profit Private Sector Entities.
- AASB 2020-5 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Insurance Contracts.
- AASB 2020-7 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Covid-19-Related Rent Concessions: Tier 2 Disclosures.
- AASB 2020-8 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Interest Rate Benchmark Reform – Phase 2.
- AASB 2020-9 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Tier 2 Disclosures: Interest Rate Benchmark Reform (Phase 2) and Other Amendments.
- AASB 2021-1 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Transition to Tier 2: Simplified Disclosures for Not-for-Profit Entities.
- AASB 2021-3 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Covid-19-Related Rent Concessions beyond 30 June 2021.

The Council has assessed the abovementioned standards and considers the above standards do not or will not have any material impact on the Council accounts.

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7.3 Key management personnel

The Council has determined key management personnel to include Cabinet Ministers, council members, and senior officers of the Council. The Council 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 council members and senior officers of the Council for the reporting period are presented within the following bands:

	2022	2021
Compensation of members of the Council:		
Compensation band (\$)		
10,001 - 20,000	-	1
1 - 10,000	1	-
	2022	2021
	\$	\$
Total compensation of the council members:	7,456	14,189
Compensation of Senior Officers:		
Compensation band (\$)		
150,001 - 160,000	-	1
130,001 - 140,000	1	-
	2022	2021
	\$	\$
Total compensation of senior officers	131,515	143,749

Total compensation includes the superannuation expense incurred by the Council in respect of senior officers.

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7.4 Related party transactions

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

Related parties of the Council include:

- all cabinet ministers and their close family members, and their controlled or jointly controlled entities;
- all council members, senior officers and their close family members, and their controlled or jointly controlled entities;
- other departments and statutory authorities, including 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 other related parties

Outside of normal citizen type transactions with the Council, 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.

7.5 Related bodies

The Council currently does not provide any assistance to other agencies which would deem them to be regarded as related bodies under the definitions included in Treasurer's Instruction 951 "Related and Affiliated Bodies".

7.6 Affiliated bodies

The Council currently does not provide any assistance to other agencies which would deem them to be regarded as affiliated bodies under the definitions included in Treasurer's Instruction 951 "Related and Affiliated Bodies".

7.7 Remuneration of auditors

Remuneration paid or payable to the Auditor General in respect of the audit for the current financial year is as follows:

	2022 \$	2021 \$
Auditing the accounts, financial statements, controls and key performance indicators	18,000	18,000

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7.8 Equity

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

Accumulated Surplus

Balance at start of period

Result for the period

Balance at end of period

	2022 \$	2021 \$
Balance at start of period	699,932	759,068
Result for the period	(158,249)	(59,136)
Balance at end of period	541,683	699,932

7.9 Supplementary financial information

(a) Write-offs

During the financial year there were no bad debt write offs approved under the authority of the Chairman (2021: None).

(b) Losses through theft, defaults and other causes

During the financial year there were no losses of public money and public and other property through theft or default (2021: None).

(c) Gifts of public property

The Council had no gifts of public property during the financial year (2021: None).



Certification of key performance indicators

For the year ended 30 June 2022

We hereby certify that the key performance indicators are based on proper records, are relevant and appropriate for assisting users to assess the Keep Australia Beautiful Council (W.A.)'s performance, and fairly represent the performance of the Keep Australia Beautiful Council (W.A.) for the financial year ended 30 June 2022.

M Aspinall

Chairperson
Keep Australia Beautiful Council (W.A.)

20 September 2022

C Parfitt

Deputy Chairperson
Keep Australia Beautiful Council (W.A.)

20 September 2022

Key performance indicators

Outcome Based Management Framework

Keep Australia Beautiful Council (W.A.) (KABC) structures its activities to promote a reduction in litter and littering behaviour in Western Australia. There are three services provided by KABC to the community under this outcome.

Government Goal	Desired outcome	Services
Better Places: A quality environment with liveable and affordable communities and vibrant regions.	Reduction in litter and littering behaviour in Western Australia.	Service 1: Monitoring litter levels in Western Australia Service 2: Enforcement of the <i>Litter Act 1979</i> Service 3: Providing education, awareness and engagement programs

Key effectiveness indicators

Outcome 1: Reduction in litter and littering behaviour in Western Australia

The *Litter Act 1979* makes provision for the abatement of litter and confers powers upon KABC.

KABC achieves litter abatement through enforcement and the application of penalties for littering and through the development and implementation of community education, participation, and awareness programs. These programs are designed to encourage and support people to change their attitudes and behaviours towards litter prevention and disposal and to participate in activities which help clean and maintain their environment. Programs include advertising and promotion, event support, school and community education and participation programs and partnerships with key organisations.

Over the years, an ongoing downward trend in litter points to the success of KABC's programs implemented through the *Litter Prevention Strategy for Western Australia 2020-2025* and previous litter prevention strategies.

KABC has monitored litter levels in Western Australia by funding two annual audits of litter levels through the National Litter Index (NLI) until 2019-20 and now uses a new methodology agreed to by all Australian jurisdictions, the Australian Litter Measure (AusLM), since 2020-21.

Indicator 1.1 The amount of litter reduction as measured by the Australian Litter Measure

Table 1 National Litter Index 2017-20 /AusLM 2020-21 onwards

	Items per 100m ²						Volume L / 1,000m ²					
	17-18	18-19	19-20	20-21	21-22	21-22	17-18	18-19	19-20	20-21	21-22	21-22
	Actual			Actual	Target	Actual	Actual			Actual	Target	Actual
NLI / AusLM	40	37	36	332	300	174	7.11	5.31	4.7	21	16	10.94
Movement compared to prior year	+1	-3	-1	296		-158	+0.11	-1.8	-0.61	16.3		-10.06

ANALYSIS

The Australian Litter Measure (AusLM) was developed in a jurisdiction-wide collaboration, through a project working group, to address dissatisfaction with the litter information and data previously provided to Australian governments under the National Litter Index.

The introduction of this more scientific litter audit methodology by the national project working group in 2020-21 has led to an acknowledgement that the outcomes of the two methodologies cannot be compared. The 2020-21 actual results were derived from a pilot survey from a single location to test the more scientific litter audit methodology and not representative of the full ten locations. The 2021-22 results counted in the full ten locations representing a more accurate result and establishing a new baseline against which the results can be measured going forward. The 2021-22 Target was estimated based on results from a pilot survey from a single location whereas the 2021-22 Actuals are based on more accurate results from the full ten locations.

There is confidence in the data that is provided using the AusLM methodology. The 2021-22 litter survey establishes a new baseline against which the amount of litter reduction can be assessed in coming years.

Indicator 1.2 Percentage of litter infringements enforced through the Litter Report Scheme

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	21-22 Target	21-22 Actual	Variation
Percentage of litter infringements enforced through the Litter Report Scheme	91	91	92	96	92	91	-1

ANALYSIS

The total number of infringements was 768 with 72 not actioned to become infringements, due to a period of resource constraints, resulting in a percentage converted to infringements of 91 per cent. The situation has been stabilised and the usual conversion rate has been reestablished.

Indicator 1.3 Percentage of littering investigations leading to an enforceable outcome

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	Variation
Percentage of littering investigations leading to an enforceable outcome	62	65	71	69	81	12

* Note: There is no target set for this indicator as the occurrence and complexity of investigations cannot be predicted on a yearly basis, as investigations result from reports from other organizations and community members.

In 2021-22, KABC Services investigators undertook 88 investigations, resulting in 60 litter infringement notices and three letters of warning for littering offences. In addition, nine prosecution briefs were compiled, which together resulted in a rate of 81 per cent enforceable outcomes.

Part IV of the *Litter Act 1979* establishes that any person who deposits litter or causes litter to be deposited on any land or any waters (unless exempt by clauses (a) to (d)) commits an offence). Section 27 of the Litter Act and the Litter Regulations 1981 prescribe penalties for specific offences and allow for the issue of infringement notices to offenders as well as the appointment of authorised officers to assist with the enforcement of the Litter Act. Offenders can also be dealt with by requiring clean-up of the litter (an Environmental Field Notice (EFN)) or by prosecution in court. Any of these actions would be deemed a successful outcome in dealing with offenders under the Litter Act.

KABC issues infringement notices to offenders using the information supplied through the Litter Report Scheme. Authorised officers issue infringements, Environmental Field Notices or prosecute littering.

Variance Analysis

The Increase in the percentage of enforceable outcomes is a natural outcome of circumstances as they arose. As this is an uncontrolled element it is also hard to control the outcome. If a report or complaint is received where there is an unsubstantiated complaint or where there is insufficient evidence to proceed, an investigation is still required to make this determination, but an enforceable outcome is not always possible.

Key efficiency indicators

Outcome 1: Reduction in litter and littering behaviour in Western Australia.

Key Efficiency Indicator	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22 Target	2021-22 Actual	Variation
Service 1: Monitoring litter levels in Western Australia							
1.1 Average cost of audit of litter levels in WA	\$52,500	\$54,706	\$80,393	\$84,959	\$156,973	\$138,869	-\$18,104

Variance Analysis

The increase in the Actuals from 2020-21 Actuals to 2021-22 Actuals is mainly due to changes in resource cost allocations and increases in operational costs relating to surveys for the new methodology agreed to by all Australian jurisdictions, the Australian Litter Measure (AusLM). The decrease in the 2021-22 Actuals from the 2021-22 Target is due to changes in resource cost allocations resulting in lower cost allocations to Australian Litter Measure.

Key Efficiency Indicator	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22 Target	2021-22 Actual	Variation
Service 2: Enforcement of the Litter Act 1979							
2.1 Average cost of enforcement of the Act	\$250	\$394	\$381	\$429	\$542	\$525	-\$17

Variance Analysis

The increase in the Actuals for 2021-22 from the 2020-21 Actuals is mainly due to a decrease in the total number of infringements issued (31% reduction from last year), resulting from a lower number of litter reports being converted to infringements. This is partially offset by lower costs due to changes in cost driver volumes to allocate costs to this service. KABC is investigating efficient ways to increase the number of reports being received through registered litter reporters.

Key Efficiency Indicator	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22 Target	2021-22 Actual	Variation
Service 3: Providing education, awareness and engagement programs							
3.1.1 Average cost per education, awareness and engagement program	\$76,784	\$85,808	\$108,665	\$118,333	\$193,555	\$125,848	-\$67,707

Variance Analysis

The decrease in the Actuals for 2021-22 from the Target 2021-22 is largely due to changes in cost allocations and an increase in number of education and awareness programs, resulting in lower costs allocated to this service.



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