

AIR QUALITY COORDINATING COMMITTEE

Summary of Meeting on 24 April 2026

General Business

Presentation: Indoor Air Quality – Human Health Impacts Linked to Poor Indoor Air Quality

Members noted:

- Indoor air pollutant concentrations are often higher than outdoor levels due to sources such as combustion appliances, cooking activities and inadequate ventilation.
- Climate change is expected to exacerbate indoor air quality challenges through increased frequency and intensity of bushfires, higher temperatures, greater reliance on air conditioning, increased mould risks and changing building use.
- Practical strategies to improve indoor air quality include source control, improved ventilation, air cleaning technologies, and stronger policy integration.
- The absence of nationally consistent indoor air quality guidelines in Australia was identified as an ongoing challenge.

Perth Air Quality Management Plan (Perth AQMP) establishing a rationale for renewal and continuity

Members noted this matter is under consideration.

Perth AQMP Reporting 2024-2025

Members approved the annual report card for the period 2024-2025.

Other Business

Indoor Air Quality – Australian Academy of Science Report

Members were made aware of the report which identifies gaps in understanding population exposure to indoor air pollutants and emphasises the need for stronger recognition of indoor air quality within public policy.

RAC Air Health Monitor

Members noted:

- RAC provided an update on the Air Health Monitor, including integration of air quality data such as PM2.5, PM10 and black carbon monitoring at monitoring sites at schools, alongside broader health-related information.
- The value of presenting air quality information in a way that is accessible and meaningful to the community, while acknowledging current limitations in monitoring coverage and resolution.
- The effectiveness of the Air Health Monitor as a community information and awareness tool.
- RAC's ongoing role in communicating air quality and health information to the community through its platforms.