

PLANNING — URBAN TREE CANOPY

**1397. Hon Dr BRAD PETTITT to the minister representing the Minister for Planning:**

I refer to the City of Nedlands Trees on Private Land—Scheme Amendment 12 and Draft Local Planning Policy, which was supported by the council at the 28 March 2023 ordinary council meeting and subsequently referred to the Western Australian Planning Commission for review and recommendation.

- (1) What is the status of this important scheme amendment and when is a decision by the WAPC expected?
- (2) Will the minister support this scheme amendment; and, if not, why not?
- (3) Noting that approximately 80 per cent of Perth's remaining tree canopy sits on private land, will the minister look to introduce similar measures into the schemes of all metropolitan local governments to support the protection of urban tree canopy?

**Hon JACKIE JARVIS replied:**

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. The following response has been provided by the Minister for Planning.

- (1)–(3) The department has advised that the referenced scheme amendment is still under consideration and, as such, it would be inappropriate for the minister to comment on the matter.