



Minister for Transport; Planning; Ports

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HON MARK MCGOWAN MLA
PREMIER; TREASURER

TABLING OF 2021-22 ANNUAL REPORT – DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING, LANDS AND HERITAGE

In accordance with section 65 of the *Financial Management Act 2006* (Act), I wish to advise that I will be unable to table the 2021-22 Annual Report of the **Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage** in Parliament within the prescribed 90-day period after the end of the 2021-22 financial year.

The 2021-22 Annual Report for the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage also includes the **Western Australian Planning Commission, Aboriginal Affairs Planning Authority and Heritage Council of Western Australia**.

The Annual Report and opinions of the Auditor General will not be ready for tabling due to a number of delays including impacts of COVID-19 on core staffing and delays in receiving critical valuation data. The Office of the Auditor General has advised that, given these delays, it is unable to provide an indicative timeframe for the issue of the Auditor General's opinion.

The alternate tabling provisions of the Act are also unable to be effectively utilised in this circumstance for this year.

It is anticipated that the 2021-22 Annual Report will be tabled in both Houses of Parliament by the last sitting date of this year, being 1 December 2022.

I hereby request that the Treasurer cause the tabling of this notice in both Houses of Parliament ~~no later than~~ 21 September 2022.



HON RITA SAFFIOTI MLA
MINISTER FOR PLANNING

15 SEP 2022