

**MARK MCGOWAN**

# FRESH IDEAS FOR WA



WA  
**Labor**



# “Hi, I’m WA Labor Leader Mark McGowan”

I love living in Rockingham with my wife Sarah, two young sons Samuel and Alexander and young daughter Amelia.

As a parent I want the best not only for my kids but every Western Australian child.

That is why a Mark McGowan Labor Government will prioritise putting the people of WA first.



Talking to neighbours and parents at the local schools; I know the frustrations regular people have that the mining boom was squandered in WA.

In my days in the Navy I saw the value of hard work and a good plan.

That’s why my Labor team will offer Western Australians fresh ideas.

Only Labor will build METRONET – giving people public transport in the neighbourhoods where people live, and creating jobs.

Only Labor will invest in education with more one-on-one attention for kids.

Only Labor will keep Western Power in public hands.

And only Labor will prioritise a health system where we put patients first; including building Medihotels to free up hospital beds.

I believe WA needs a Premier with fresh ideas that benefit the people of WA both in the regions and in Perth.

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## MARK'S EARLY DAYS AND THE NAVY

Mark McGowan grew up in regional New South Wales, where his parents ran small businesses and educated their two sons at public schools.

Mark studied arts and law at the University of Queensland and began his career in public service in the Royal Australian Navy, going on to serve as a Lieutenant at HMAS STIRLING.



## MARK HAS THE EXPERIENCE

Mark was the Deputy Mayor of Rockingham before winning the State seat of Rockingham in December 1996. Mark and his wife Sarah and their three young children – Samuel, Alexander and Amelia – live in the Rockingham community.

In the years since his election to the Western Australian Parliament, Mark has held many senior portfolios in both Government and Opposition.

He was Parliamentary Secretary to former Premier Geoff Gallop for four years and has served as a Minister in the portfolios of Education and Training, Environment, Racing and Gaming, Tourism and South West.

“Living with my wife and 3 kids in Rockingham I understand what people are concerned about”



As minister Mark approved the Gorgon Gas project and the FMG iron ore mining project.

As the Minister for Racing and Gaming, Mark drove the small bar reforms which have liberalised Perth's entertainment scene, while as Minister for Tourism, he boosted Western Australia's tourism industry by negotiating to bring low-cost carrier Jetstar to Perth.



As Education Minister, Mark got back to basics and brought in major curriculum changes including more exams, traditional marking and reports, and reintroduced the syllabus.

In recent years, Mark has developed Labor's fresh ideas for Medihotels and METRONET as well as Labor's Plan for Jobs and Labor's WA Jobs First policies.

Mark was elected WA Labor Leader on 23 January 2012.

# URGENT CARE CLINICS

A McGowan Labor Government will introduce Urgent Care Clinics to reduce the pressure on our hospital emergency departments so you can get the care you need when you need it.

Urgent Care Clinics will be based at major hospitals and in the community. This means fewer patients sitting and waiting in busy emergency departments.

## IN YOUR LOCAL HOSPITAL

Hospital based Urgent Care Clinics will help patients be treated faster. Patients will be triaged at the emergency department and then taken to the clinic. The patient will be managed by the emergency department but will be under the care of a GP and nurses more suited to the patient's condition.



## IN YOUR COMMUNITY

General Practices based in the community will be licensed to operate as Urgent Care Clinics and will be promoted as part of the Urgent Care Clinic network.

The community based Urgent Care Clinic will work in partnership with the local emergency department. They will have a direct line of communication with the local emergency department and will be able to prioritise patients referred to the emergency department if their condition deteriorates or warrants a higher level of care.

Urgent Care Clinics based in the community will be bulk billed through Medicare.

“Sick people should get help straight away”

- Mark McGowan



A McGowan Government will put patients first. A Government I lead will be committed to ensuring Western Australians enjoy the best health care possible.

By introducing innovative options for patients including Medihotels and Urgent Care Clinics we will free up hospital beds to allow more people to be treated sooner. Urgent Care Clinics will relieve the pressure on our busy emergency departments and ensure that sick people get the help they need straight away.

We need fresh strategies to ensure we get the very best outcomes from changing technology and innovation. Social media and online communications will harness patient feedback and help drive the future of health care.

Our plan puts patients first because patients and patient outcomes are what matters most.

# MEDIHOTELS

A McGowan Labor Government will develop Western Australia's first Medihotels. Medihotels will deliver a better experience for recuperating patients and free up hospital beds so more patients can be treated.

A Medihotel is a specialist hotel designed to support patients discharged from hospital but who are still recovering. Our new Medihotels will provide patients with a comfortable, innovative and family friendly environment in which to receive ongoing care.

## MEDIHOTELS

- Support patients when they have been discharged from hospital but are still recuperating, being monitored or receiving outpatient tests
- Medical staff such as doctors, nurses and physiotherapists will be able to visit the guests
- Family members will be able to stay with the patients
- Staff will provide assistance with everyday tasks, transfers for tests and attendance at outpatient clinics
- Free up hospital beds so more patients can be treated
- Allow new patients to be admitted from emergency departments sooner

Patients will be able to recuperate in comfort and privacy while still having access to medical care.

Medihotels are a simple solution to free up expensive hospital beds so more patients can be treated and wait lists shortened. Medihotels will especially be welcomed by Western Australians from regional areas who often find themselves admitted for long periods for simple day surgery.

Medihotels will help regional patients, the elderly and those who live alone get well faster.

“Labor will put patients first”

- Mark McGowan



## LABOR WILL KEEP WA JOBS IN WA, BUILD METRONET, OPEN MEDIHOTELS, URGENT CARE CLINICS AND MORE. VISIT [markmcgowan.com.au](http://markmcgowan.com.au)

**METRONET** 1. WA Labor will build METRONET. 2. Build METRONET to Byford. 3. Build METRONET to Morley and Ellenbrook. 4. Start fixing dangerous level crossings. 5. New METRONET station at Karnup. 6. **JOBS** 12. Establish Infrastructure WA. 13. Publish a State Infrastructure Strategy. 14. Allow unsolicited infrastructure proposals to be evaluated. 15. Projects to outline how many jobs, including apprenticeships and traineeships. 17. Enforcement and compliance checks of our Priority Start policy. 18. **HOUSE** 21. Host an annual ASEAN Dialogue with a trade and investment show and Asian Arts Festival. 22. Develop a regional business portal to assist secondary ATAR level. 24. Establish a design sector panel with the State Architect as the chair to foster opportunities for designers in Asia. 25. **INTRODUCE** 27. Amend the Liquor Control Act 1988 to add a new public interest assessment. 28. Give equal legal weight to the representation of tourism bodies and proponents applying for a liquor licence and extended trading permit system after a previous refusal. 30. Allow tour operators to sell and supply alcohol. 31. Establish an advisory panel and publish a State STEM strategy. 34. Create a \$14.5m New Industries Fund. 35. Allocate \$4.5m from the New Industries Fund for manufacturing. 38. Encourage research intensive programs into renewable energy and battery technology at our universities. 39. Legislate to require government contracts. 40. Adopt the Aboriginal Procurement Policy of awarding three per cent of government contracts to Aboriginal owned businesses by 2020. 41. Update current list of occupations that fast tracks overseas workers to WA. 43. Demand the Federal Government remove Perth from the Regional Sponsored Migration Scheme over five years for Event Tourism. 47. Invest \$225 million over five years in tourism for Destination Marketing. 48. Invest \$5 million per year in the Perth International Education Strategy. 51. Promote the Perth Racing Masters Carnival to boost tourism jobs. 52. Develop more landside destinations. 53. Increase Aboriginal tourism offerings for the cruise ship sector. 54. Ensure the Regional Development Commissions maximise the value of local content delivered through the Regional Development Commission website. 56. Establish an Industrial Lands Authority. 57. Reinvigorate Meridian Park Industrial estate at Neerabup under the new Industrial Lands Authority. 60. Appoint a Minister for Defence Issues. 61. Create Defence West. 62. Protect subcontractors on government contracts. 64. Review how government agencies implement the recommendations of the Construction Subcontractor Investigation Report. 65. Work with industry to fast-track proposal for a livestock precinct in the South West to replace the Boyanup Saleyards. **METROHUBS AND TRAINING** 69. Introduce Explicit Instruction more widely in schools. 70. Establish a Centre of Excellence in TAFE. 72. Brand TAFE – return TAFE to prominence as WA’s premier training system. 73. Transform TAFE Colleges into centres of excellence between industry needs and government. 75. Undertake an audit of existing WA Registered Training Organisations and the regions. 77. Maximise the number of apprenticeships and traineeships created through government and after school care and school holiday care at all new primary schools. 80. Work with local school communities at Invest \$17 million in Science in Schools for science and coding programs in up to 200 primary schools. 82. Sponsor more Education Assistants in the classroom. 85. Appoint Regional Learning Specialists for Years 11 & 12 in 10 regional schools. 87. Engage with industry to guarantee a level of local content for construction of new passenger trains. 89. Work with the TAFE to build the Perth Freight Link. 91. Commence planning for a second port at Kwinana. 92. Maintain the port at Kwinana following the opening of the new port at Kwinana. 94. Improve the management of truck movements. 95. Facilitate intermodal facilities in Kewdale-Forrestfield, Bullsbrook, Mundijong and Latitude 32 in Street and Stirling Highway. 99. Implement the findings of the Fremantle Ports Truck Productivity Review. 101. Develop South West Port. 103. Deliver revitalised train services to Bunbury and the South West. 104. Upgrade Bunbury and local community about a site for a train station closer to the CBD. 106. Develop tourism an additional no-stop Australind service between Bunbury and Perth. 108. Create a Rail Futures Fund. **HEALTH SERVICES** 111. Will stop the privatisation of public health and hospital services. 112. Increase funding for treatment facilities for early intervention and to reduce methamphetamine dependence. 114. Increase funding for the Kimberley. 115. Investigate ways to ‘fast-track’ guardianship and administration applications for a mental health observation area at Royal Perth Hospital emergency department. 117. Establish a duress alarm system for at-risk health staff. 119. Conduct a Sustainable Health Review. 120. Build Urgent Care public hospital services. 122. Establish Medihotels. 123. Help fast track the establishment of aged care services in the community sector. 126. Work with the community services sector to break down the barriers between outcomes across the community services sector. 128. Produce a biennial Our Communities Report. 130. Introduce Target 120. 131. Create two dedicated drug and alcohol rehabilitation prisons. 132. Increase funding for drug and alcohol rehabilitation in Ellenbrook. 135. 24-HOUR police station in Cockburn. 136. Extend the hours of operation at key police stations. 139. Re-commission the WA publication of the intimate photos. 141. Additional authority for police to end high speed car chases. 144. Allow Class Actions in Western Australia. 145. CLEAR CARD for employees to help prevent the purchase of approved personal shark deterrents. 148. Introduce a ‘No Body – No Parole’ Law. 149. Mandatory blood testing for prisoners who bite or kill. 152. Introduce a new Section into the Police Act so that medically retired police officers can leave WA Police. 155. Introduce Slow Down, Move Over (SLOMO) laws. 156. Work with seafarers to increase the volume of roadside alcohol and drug testing. **REGIONAL (SEE OTHER CATEGORIES FOR OTHER REGIONAL INITIATIVES)** 157. Support and maintain Royalties for Regions with a focus on Facilities. 161. Develop specific strategies within the Methamphetamine Action Plan to address issues in regional areas. 162. Complete the Centenary of Federation with the City of Geraldton and stakeholders to ensure shops are open when cruise ship vessels arrive. 165. Create a new WA Indigenous Ranger Program. 168. Measure the success of State Government Directors General and Chief Executive Officers by linking 20 per cent of their salaries to KPIs. 170. Increase Government. 171. Establish a Commission of Inquiry into major state government contracts. **OTHER** 172. Reinstate funding to financial counsellors. 175. Call for the Commonwealth to commemorate Pozieres Day on 23 July. 176. Introduce a centralised registration system to identify evergreen trees. 180. Name a major public building after May Holman. 181. Introduce mesh safety barriers for Mixed Martial Arts. 182. Increase the ability of the Coastal Wetlands by not proceeding with Roe 8. 185. Ban Fracking in the South West, Peel and Perth Metro Area. 186. Place a moratorium on fracking in the South West. 189. Promote equality and inclusiveness of the LGBTI community. 190. Ensure public secondary schools can choose to participate in the Safe Schools Program. 193. Introduce election campaign spending caps. 194. Develop criteria to convert contract and casual public sector workers with more than two years of service to permanent employment. 197. Appoint a Minister for the Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence. 199. Introduce a Domestic Violence Program. 200. Recognise Dennis Cometti at the new Perth Stadium.

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## CLINICS AND INVEST IN EDUCATION. CHECK OUT THE FULL 200 HERE AND READ MORE ABOUT

METRONET to Yanchep. **4.** Start the Circle Line with the Thornlie extension. **5.** Complete the Forrestfield-Airport Line. **6.** New bus services linking Relocate Midland train station closer to Midland Hospital. **11.** Include Mundijong to Perth section of the Australind Service as part of METRONET. **15.** Expand the Priority Start policy of employing apprentices on government construction projects. **16.** Require all business cases for construction. **17.** Whole of Government Asian Business Engagement Strategy. **19.** Appoint a Minister for Asian Engagement. **20.** Establishment of the Asian Business Assist small business become export ready. **23.** Assistance for a one month "in country" placement for students studying an Asian language at senior. **24.** Introduce Country of Origin Labeling for seafood in restaurants. **26.** Freeing up licencing restrictions for tourist operators, producers and other licensees. **27.** Powers as those of the Police Commissioner and Executive Director of Public Health as part of Liquor Act reform. **29.** Remove the three-year restriction on alcohol under prescribed circumstances. **31.** Appoint a Minister for Innovation and ICT. **32.** Establish an Innovation and ICT Office. **33.** Appoint a STEM Minister for regional WA. **36.** Extend the hours of operation at key police stations. **37.** Encourage local and overseas investment into renewable technology. **38.** Require government agencies to produce a WA Local Industry Participation Plan to show the use of local businesses and local workers in government projects. **40.** **41.** Enact a Skilled Local Jobs Bill to require a skilled work agreement to be implemented on all major resource projects in WA. **42.** Tear up the old Migration Scheme. **44.** Develop Brand WA. **45.** Restructure the Tourism WA budget to enable the industry to forward plan. **46.** Invest \$200 million in the Perth Convention Bureau. **49.** Promote tourism opportunities by growing the International Knowledge Economy. **50.** Invest \$2 million over five years for infrastructure improvements for cruise ship passenger at Fremantle and other regional ports. **53.** Work with WAITOC to strengthen and diversify the range and quality of services offered on RFR programs. **55.** Ensure that all tenders, contracts and job vacancies on government funded projects in regional areas are advertised on a public website. **58.** Undertake an in-depth study into the industry and technology park north of Two Rocks. **59.** Bring industrial land development in the regions under government projects by establishing a 'project trust account'. **63.** Establish a 'security of payments' system on government and non-government projects. **64.** Require the industry to establish more protection for subcontractors. **66.** Engage with stakeholders on the proposal to establish a food hub in Kemerton near Bunbury.

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**68.** Create vibrant communities with jobs where people live, focused on transport hubs and links. **EDUCATION** **69.** Introduce Literacy and Explicit Instruction. **71.** Offer school more flexibility and control when tendering for maintenance work. **72.** Establish Industry Skill Centres. **74.** Revamp the State Training Board and Industry Training Councils to provide direct link to ensure compliance. **76.** Ensure the State Priority Occupation List is more responsive to employment needs in Perth. **77.** Standardise contracts. **78.** Provide a site for a child care centre in the planning of all new schools. **79.** Opportunities for before and after existing public schools to open up the opportunities for more childcare as well as before and after school care. **81.** Establish Science Industry Fellowships. **83.** Replace the early childhood centre at Flinders Park Primary School. **84.** Employ Science, Mathematics, Social Science and English. **86.** Appoint Independent Learning Coordinator to assist students. **87.** Request the Federal Government to fund and implement coding into the school curriculum. **TRANSPORT** **88.** Ensure a sector to develop courses for apprentices and trainees in the rail rolling stock industry. **90.** Will not operate Fremantle Port as an operational port in public ownership. **93.** Cap the capacity of Fremantle Port to and from Fremantle Port. **95.** Build the Armadale Road Bridge over the Kwinana Freeway. **96.** Build the Kwinana. **97.** Increase the freight on rail subsidy. **98.** Extend Leach Highway between Carrington and Fremantle. **99.** Study to increase the hours of operations of the container parks. **100.** Make a priority application to the City of Fremantle to be a world class cruise ship port. **102.** Continue to develop the capacity of regional stations between Bunbury and Perth including disability access. **105.** Consult the City of Bunbury on packages for Bunbury, Collie and surrounding communities to link to the Australind train. **107.** Provide infrastructure for **109.** Continue planning for a fast train to Bunbury. **110.** Build two overpasses on Wanneroo Road. **111.** Implement a state-wide, coordinated and targeted Methamphetamine Action Plan. **113.** Additional services to Expand drug services in regional areas and open specialised rehabilitation centres in the Southwest and those methamphetamine addicts that are no longer able to make their own decisions. **116.** Introduce a Taskforce to oversee the implementation of the Methamphetamine Action Plan. **118.** Provide personal Clinics at major hospitals and in the community. **121.** Ensure patient feedback drives improvements to public hospital facilities. **124.** Provide protective vests for security staff at major public hospitals. **125.** Cut red tape for government departments and stakeholders. **127.** Deliver an agreed-upon framework to measure performance. **129.** Active Open Spaces – create new sporting and recreation spaces. **COMMUNITY SAFETY** **130.** Create a Prisoner Triage Unit. **133.** 24-HOUR police station in Armadale. **134.** 24-HOUR police station in Bunbury. **137.** Introduce a High Risk Offenders Board. **138.** Introduce a program of legislative Police Specialist Domestic Violence Investigation unit. **140.** Introduce laws against the non-consensual use of force. **142.** Introduce changes to the dangerous sex offender laws to protect the community. **143.** End the use of force. **146.** Introduce a formal system to quickly report abuse in WA's disability sector. **147.** Subsidise the cost of food for police officers. **150.** Extend mandatory blood testing laws to protect paramedics. **151.** Introduce a Police medal to recognise officers who die with dignity. **153.** Establish a Regional Enforcement Unit of WA police to help reduce the road toll. **154.** Ensure WA police have the resources to support senior police officers and the WA Police Union to develop a mutually beneficial system of workers compensation for medically retired police officers. **155.** Focus on jobs. **158.** Establish a Collie Future Fund. **159.** Ensure recreation facilities are completed at Lake Kepwari. **160.** Upgrade Broome Boating Club. **163.** Install Shore Tension Hydraulic Dampening Units to increase the productivity of Geraldton Port. **164.** Work on a program. **166.** Increase the number of Indigenous Rangers. **167.** Implement a VET Regional Partnerships Program. **GOVERNMENT OPERATION** **169.** Reduce the number of Senior Executive Service positions in the State Government by 20 per cent. **170.** Undertake a Service Priority Review of public services in the metro area. **173.** Introduce new laws to crack down on ticket scalping. **174.** Increase women's representation on government boards. **177.** Introduce mandatory standards for dog breeding. **178.** Transition pet shops into adoption centres. **179.** Stop puppy farming. **180.** Establish a Combat Sports Commission to ensure combat sports are monitored appropriately. **183.** Introduce a Container Deposit Scheme. **184.** Save the Beeliear in the rest of WA. **COMMITMENTS** **187.** Maintain Western Power in public ownership. **188.** Expunge historical convictions for homosexual activity. **189.** Introduce a program. **191.** Introduce a category for 'Best LGBTI Employer of the Year'. **192.** Reduce the public disclosure threshold for political donations. **193.** Introduce 'years' employment in the same role to permanent status. **195.** Stop the privatisation of existing public sector services. **196.** Support victims of family violence. **198.** Establish two additional crisis accommodation places for Women and Children. **199.** Ensure WA becomes a member of the National 'Our Watch'

# “WA Labor’s plan for jobs”

**MARK McGOWAN**



## **ONLY LABOR WILL KEEP WA JOBS IN WA**

I am passionate about WA jobs.

On day one my Government will tear up the list of occupations that fast-tracks overseas workers to WA.

I will also seek to immediately have Perth removed from the Regional Sponsored Migration Scheme.

For too many years, Colin Barnett has given Canberra a list of jobs that fast-tracks overseas workers into WA. Mr Barnett’s list says WA needs overseas bricklayers, engineers, electricians and mechanics. He’s out of touch.

That’s why Labor will replace Colin Barnett’s list with a list that reflects WA’s changed economic circumstances.

There are more than 90,000 people unemployed in WA. Labor’s priority will be to ensure Western Australians are first in line for WA jobs.

## **ONLY WA LABOR HAS A PLAN FOR JOBS**

I am proud to present WA Labor’s Plan for Jobs.

WA Labor’s Plan for Jobs will create a more vibrant and diversified economy with a broader range of industries and jobs.

- The Innovation Economy
- Brand WA and Tourism
- Building a Stronger WA
- Local Jobs – Local Content
- Training for the Future
- Supporting Small Business
- Jobs for the Regions

Based on the most conservative modelling the plan will create well over 50,000 jobs across Western Australia and is the most comprehensive employment plan ever released in this State.

The plan is smart, carefully targeted, affordable and sustainable and will lead to a more resilient and diversified State economy.

It takes a comprehensive approach to deliver long term improvements to our economy to produce jobs across the State, including the regions.

A McGowan Labor Government has an experienced team and will do the hard work to diversify the economy, create new jobs and new opportunities. We will be a government for you.





# OUR PLAN TO CREATE NEW WA JOBS

Creating and keeping jobs in WA will be the number one priority for a McGowan Labor Government.

That means building local and buying local. Making sure small businesses in WA get a big share of the pie.

In these difficult economic times, we have to make the most of every opportunity. We will have a fresh approach to Government spending and wherever possible will support local businesses and create new jobs in WA. We will make sure that local people are given the first opportunity to get jobs and we will keep WA jobs in WA.

## WE WILL

- Enact legislation that creates the opportunity for local small and medium business to compete for government contracts
- WA Labor will invest \$1 million per annum to provide support for local WA business to compete for these contracts
- Declare projects of strategic significance and set minimum standards of local content to drive local jobs creation including on METRONET
- WA Labor will create jobs for apprentices and trainees on every major State Government funded construction and maintenance projects
- On day one tear up the current list of occupations that fast tracks overseas workers to WA
- Seek to immediately have Perth removed from the Regional Sponsored Migration scheme
- Support businesses to expand export opportunities into Asia
- WA Labor will invest \$425 million in tourism to promote WA to the rest of the world

A McGowan Labor Government will keep WA jobs in WA.



# WA LABOR'S PLAN WILL CREATE VITAL NEW JOBS

## BRAND WA AND TOURISM

WA Labor will invest \$425 million in tourism.

- Invest \$425 million to promote WA so it becomes one of the world's great tourist destinations
- Promote WA through increased investment in destination and event marketing and the Perth Convention Bureau
- Provide certainty in funding to the industry to maximize the return on investment from both public sector and complementary private sector investment
- Develop more landside tourist opportunities for the burgeoning cruise ship sector
- Encourage a more tourism friendly hospitality culture by cutting red tape



# WA LABOR WILL SUPPORT THE INNOVATION ECONOMY

WA Labor will invest \$14.5 million into a New Industries Fund.

- We will invest \$14.5 million into a New Industries Fund to provide grants to accelerate new and emerging businesses in the Startup and gaming sectors
- Invest \$4.5 million into regional Startups as part of the New Industries Fund
- Commit to funding support through the New Industries Fund which will focus on early career and businesses development support; and foster an environment where private investment does the heavy lifting for commercial production and market entry



## SCIENCE AND CODING IN SCHOOLS

WA Labor will invest \$17 million to roll out science and coding equipment in up to 200 primary schools as part of our vision to diversify the economy and prepare students for the jobs of the future.

## MORE EDUCATION ASSISTANTS IN THE CLASSROOM

A McGowan Labor Government will put Education Assistants back into public schools.

Education Assistants play an integral role in the education of our students, including the preparation of resources, one-on-one assistance, extra support for children with learning difficulties, students with English as a second language and students with disabilities.

## TAFE = SKILLS = JOBS

- The Liberal National Government has increased TAFE fees by up to 510% since 2013
- Enrolments in TAFE have dropped by 11,000 as a result of these increases
- 467 jobs and 87 courses have been cut across WA TAFEs
- Thousands of trainees saw their course fees rise by 85% in 2016

At a time of rising unemployment the government should be supporting Western Australians to skill up to increase their employment opportunities.

TAFE fees should be affordable so people have the skills they need to get good jobs.



# EDUCATION & TRAINING

## EDUCARE

Schools are important community assets that can play a significant role in assisting working parents to deal with the pressures of balancing work and family.

WA Labor wants to allow school communities the option of providing extra childcare through quality providers to utilise school sites by:

- Providing a site for a childcare centre in the planning for every new public primary school and for before and after school care and school holiday care at new public primary schools; and
- Working with established schools to open up opportunities for more childcare, as well as before and after school care and holiday care

## QUALITY EDUCATION IN THE REGIONS

A McGowan Labor Government will provide dedicated teacher support for regional year 11 and 12 students as part of our commitment to ensuring a quality education for all Western Australian children.

## PRIORITY START: JOBS AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG WESTERN AUSTRALIANS

- Create jobs for apprentices and trainees on every big State Government funded construction project
- Expand Priority Start to apply to all construction investment including big maintenance contracts and joint ventures or public private partnerships which involve a construction arrangement.
- Group contracts together to ensure that contractors are required to meet the obligations of the Priority Start policy
- Ensure regular enforcement and compliance checks
- Require all business cases for construction projects to outline how many jobs, including apprenticeships and traineeships, the investment will create

WA Labor is committed to delivering real improvements to education resources in regional WA.

# How WA Labor will pay for our plan

## LABOR WILL PAY FOR OUR FRESH IDEAS BY:

### LABOR WILL REPAY DEBT AND PROTECT JOBS

- Labor will repay debt slowly and carefully, like paying off a house
- We won't sell valuable assets like Western Power



### CUTTING WASTEFUL GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE

Reduce the number of Senior Executive Service positions by 20 per cent; saving \$20 million each year.

WA Labor will cut government advertising by \$20 million each year.

WA Labor will reduce the number of agencies by 20 per cent delivering savings in excess of \$100 million each year.

Stop the excessive use of external consultants and outside contractors. The Liberal National Government has a \$475 million 5 year tender arrangement to use workers from labour hire companies which expires in 2019.

### CREATE A METRONET AND JOBS SPECIAL PURPOSE FUND

METRONET will be enshrined in legislation to ensure a long term commitment to its delivery with a special purpose account established to guarantee responsible funding of the project.

### RENEGOTIATE THE CONTRACTS FOR ROE 8 TO DELIVER MORE RAIL PROJECTS AND JOBS

This will release \$1.7 billion that will be used to deliver road and rail projects throughout the metropolitan area that will address the congestion issues facing WA.

### KEEP PROFITABLE PUBLIC SERVICES LIKE WESTERN POWER IN PUBLIC HANDS

In 2015-16 Western Power provided more than \$550 million in payments to the State Government. Western Power and other government trading enterprises such as the Water Corporation are an important source of government revenue.



# WORLD CLASS JOBS AND TRANSPORT

METRONET is an integrated and coordinated transport system that will solve Perth's long term congestion problems and create thousands of jobs.

METRONET will deliver quicker and easier journeys for rail commuters and free up traffic by taking thousands of cars off congested roads.

As a long term project, METRONET will be enshrined in legislation with a METRONET and Jobs special purpose fund.

METRONET will connect Perth suburbs with an integrated network of rail lines. It will lay down the foundation for Perth's transport system for decades.

## BUILDING METRONET WILL CREATE THOUSANDS OF JOBS

- A continuous rail build creating sustained job creation for WA's local workforce
- A passenger train manufacturing strategy: guaranteed levels of local passenger rolling stock manufacturing and local jobs
- A project of strategic significance to maximise the number of local jobs
- Guaranteed positions for apprentices and trainees at every stage of the build
- Part of WA Labor's commitment to rebuild our local manufacturing industry

# A FRESH APPROACH

