



1. ABOUT AND PURPOSE

The Western Australian Practice Committee is a committee of the Western Australian Chapter of the Australian Institute of Architects. It seeks to promote and improve the standards of service provided by Western Australian architectural practices to the community from Institute members and other building design professionals.

2. OBJECTIVES

- To provide advice on and implement Institute policies and programs.
- To facilitate contact between the Institute's committees and kindred organisations that deal with common matters concerning architectural practice.
- To facilitate discussion and action on regulatory matters concerning architectural practice.
- To promote the engagement of architects in Western Australia's built environment.

3. LINK WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

- Practice Committees fall within the Institute's Advocacy strategic priority. The strategic plan is currently under review.

4. PRIORITIES

- To provide advice to the Chapter on advocacy matters concerning the Building Commission, Building Management and Works and the Department of Planning.

5. MEMBERSHIP

Membership is available to:

- Members of the Australian Institute of Architects with an active interest in architectural practice matters. At least one should be a chapter councillor.
- Two members of the Association of Consulting Architects.
- One staff member from each of the architecture programs at both Curtin University and The University of Western Australia.
- One representative from the Architects Registration Board of Western Australia.

6. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND CHAIR

- Committee members can join with the agreement of the chair.
- The chair shall be elected by the committee and serve a two year term before standing down or seeking re-election.
- On joining the committee, members agree to attend at least 80% [8 out of the 10] monthly meetings.

7. TERM OF COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

- Two years with the opportunity to continue for another term with the agreement of the chair.

8. MEETING REQUIREMENTS

- Meetings will be held monthly with the exception of January and December.
- A quorum of five members is required for any actions or resolutions to be binding.

9. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

- At least one member of the committee will be a chapter councillor. Alternatively the chair of the committee will attend chapter council as an observer.
- The chair of the committee will serve as Western Australia's representative on any National Practice Committee and report on local matters.

10. BUDGET AND STAFF RESOURCING

- The Institute's chapter office provides a staff member to attend all meetings and manage the work of the committee.