



Information Sheet for Research Participants

2029 and Beyond: Developing civic deliberation and collaborative governance in regional Western Australia to co-create a sustainable future

The Greater Geraldton City Region is facing a time of change. There are unprecedented development opportunities but also issues to resolve in planning for a future that meets the needs of all people in the Greater Geraldton City Region. The 2029 and Beyond Project takes a new approach to planning for the future. It is creating opportunities for the community to come together, discuss important issues, and to share in decision-making and action.

A team of researchers is working alongside the City of Geraldton-Greenough helping to design community engagement processes. The researchers are also trying to better understand what type of community engagement works and what does not work. This series of interviews is part of this research.

If you agree to an interview, you will be asked about what you think the most important issues are for the future for the City Region and what you think should be done to respond to these issues. You will also be asked about your views on community engagement. If you have been involved with the 2029 and Beyond project, you will be asked about your experiences with it. The interviews will contribute to the ongoing development of the 2029 and Beyond project. They will also contribute to academic research on how communities and decision makers can work together better.

Interviews will be undertaken with decision makers, people who are working or volunteering on the 2029 and Beyond project and with community members. Each interview will take approximately twenty minutes. A member of the research team will be in Geraldton during the week of the 6th December. Interviews can be organised during this week, or over the phone at a time that is convenient to you.

The names of all interviewees will be confidential. No individuals will be named in the research reports, or in reports provided to the City of Geraldton-Greenough.

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Kind regards

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