

**WA Public Libraries Strategy
Status Report
June 2020**

1	Governance	
1.1	Repeal the <i>Library Board (Registered Public Libraries) Regulations 1985</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PLWA has undertaken a survey of Local Government to map those regulations that are still being used by local governments. Alison Oliver to report to PLWG at June meeting.
2	New Model to support public library service delivery in WA	
2.1	Implement a multi-tiered support model determined by the ability to meet agreed criteria for service provision and population growth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposal for repurposing of existing capital funds to recurrent funding and transfer of ownership of stock from State to Local Governments endorsed as part of the State Government's mid-year economic review. Delayed until 1 January 2021 due to delay in passing the Supply Bill due to COVID-19. CEOs and library managers notified. • Reconciliation of state-owned stock for all Tier 1 LGs complete and project on track for transfer on 30 June 2020. • Library Priorities Grants guidelines and application and acquittals completed and circulated to LGs. • Introduction of Library Priority Grants, planned for July 2020, will be postponed until January 2021 with a delay in the passing of the <i>Supply Bill 2020</i> due to COVID-19.
2.2	Introduce a system for the allocation of annual State Government Funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PLWG endorsed model for consultation at November 2019 meeting. • Allocation model consultation completed. Project Manager to report to PLWG at June meeting.
3	New Model to support regional and remote public library services	
3.1	Develop a new support model and an accountable reporting framework for regional and remote public libraries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New model implemented from 1 July 2019. • SLWA support for local government library services in tiers 2 and 3 in place. • Travel and professional development grants in place. • Evaluation and review of year 1 has commenced.
4	Single access card system	
4.2	Develop a business case for a single access card system and shared LMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business case being finalised.