GREEN BUILDING FORUM 2026

Thursday 5 November 2026

ANZAC Club, Perth

8:15am	**Arrival and networking**
8:55am	**Opening remarks from the Chair** ***Jeff Oatman*** *- Head of Collaboration and Membership,* ***Green Building Council of Australia***
9:00am	**Welcome to Country**
9.10am	**Welcome from the City of Perth** ***The Right Honourable the Lord Mayor Bruce Reynolds***
9:15am	**GBCA Update** ***Jorge Chapa –*** *Chief Impact Officer,* ***Green Building Council of Australia***
9:40am	**Panel: Building WA's Future: Delivering Sustainable major Infrastructure at scale** Major infrastructure projects have a unique opportunity to leave a lasting sustainability legacy. This session will explore the outcomes, challenges and innovations shaping the delivery of major sustainable infrastructure across Western Australia. ***Emily Davies*** *- Project Engineer, Construction,* ***Lendlease*** ***Graham Agar*** *- Director,* ***Full Circle Design Services*** ***Alita Hancock*** *- Sustainability Lead – Strategy,* ***Office of Major Infrastructure Delivery*** ***Caroline Perks*** *- Head of Sustainability,* ***Perth Airport*** ***Ella Mudie*** *- Senior Engagement Lead,* ***Green Building Council of Australia*** *(Moderator)*
10:20am	**Sustainable Perth** Building our cities starts with making the most of what we already have. Hear insights from the City on adaptive reuse, systems change and Green Star initiatives. ***Cynthia Mathelot –*** *Sustainability Lead (Energy and Emissions),* ***City of Perth*** ***Nic Brunsdon –*** *City Architect,* ***City of Perth***
10:30am	**Green Star case study: UWA Nedlands Student Accommodation** Explore the UWA Nedlands Student Accommodation project and its journey through Green Star certification, highlighting the sustainability strategies, technical solutions and performance outcomes that supports the project's rating ambitions. ***Megan Ang –*** *Sustainability Consultant,* ***Summation*** ***Phillip Cook*** *– Regional Sustainability Manager – WA,* ***Lendlease***
11:00am	**Morning tea**
11:35am	**Design for disassembly and reuse – turning today's buildings into tomorrow's material banks** ***Deepak Chopra,*** *National Sales Director,* ***Milliken*** ***Alexis Kusinski,*** *Director,* ***MKDC Workspace Designers***
11:55am	**Industry update - How NABERS is evolving to maximise impact** The sustainability landscape for commercial buildings is very dynamic. Hear how NABERS is evolving to maximise impact and meet the needs of the industry. This session will cover key updates around the

NABERS Energy tool, embodied carbon and Data Centres.

Magali Wardle *- Head of Market Development,* ***NABERS***

12:15pm **Panel - Driving carbon reduction: innovation, initiatives and smarter material choices**

This panel will explore how the built environment can achieve meaningful carbon reductions through innovation, supply chain engagement and smarter material choices.

Discussion points

- Turning carbon reduction goals into measurable outcomes through supply chain engagement and collaboration.
- Which policies, frameworks and reporting requirements are making the biggest impact?
- What role do clients and procurement teams play in driving market transformation?
- What innovations and sectors will have the greatest influence on carbon reduction over the next decade

Thomas Monkhouse - *Australian Sustainability Lead,* ***NDY***

Nic Brunsdon *– Principal,* ***Brunsdon Studio***

Kellie McGivern, *Design Director****, Human Urban***

Gabrielle Pavicic *– Green Star Program Lead,* ***GBCA***

12:50pm **Green Star update**

Elham Monavari - *Head of Green Star Strategic Delivery,* ***Green Building Council of Australia***

1:15pm **Lunch**

BREAKOUT WORKSHOPS

2:00pm **STRATEGY WORKSHOP**
The industry roadmap to 2035: Moving from ideas to action

How do we build the future we want?

The Green Building Council of Australia has set bold commitment targets for 2035. The four impact areas of industry focus include reducing upfront carbon by 60%, accelerating the circularity rate by 15%, achieving a measurable biodiversity net gain, and creating healthier, more resilient places for people and communities

*Now the challenge is turning that ambition into action. This interactive session will seek to identify the barriers, opportunities and practical steps needed to deliver these outcomes at scale. This is the time to collaborate and shape an industry-led roadmap for achieving the GBCA's 2035 commitments and answer one critical question****: what must we start doing today to create the sustainable built environment we want by 2035?***

Jorge Chapa – *Chief Impact Officer,* ***GBCA***

GREEN STAR WORKSHOP
Overcoming barriers on a tricky Green Star project

This interactive workshop will explore how to approach complex and unconventional Green Star projects, unpack credit intent, and identify pathways when standard compliance isn't possible. The session will introduce GSAPs (experienced and new) to key stakeholders in a Green Star project, deliver an overview of the certification process and will provide you greater confidence in developing robust submissions and Technical Questions.

Elham Monavari *- Head of Green Star Strategic Delivery,* ***GBCA***
Emma Bezzina *- Green Star Systems Manager,* ***GBCA***
Jim Ng *- Technical Services and Initiatives Lead,* ***GBCA***

With Assessors:
Oliver Grimaldi *- Director of Sustainability,* ***Summation***

Graham Agar *- Director,* ***Full Circle Design Services***

	Gabrielle Pavicic *– Green Star Program Lead,,* ***GBCA***
3:40pm	**Afternoon tea**
4:10pm	**Green Star case study: Orthonova Orthopaedic Centre** This session explores Orthonova Orthopaedic Centre's journey to achieving a 5 Star Green Star Design Review. Hear how the sustainability strategy, early stakeholder collaboration delivered a strong outcome despite the technical complexities of a healthcare project. ***Mark Taylor,*** *Sustainability Manager****, Hesperia***
4.40pm	**Green Star case study: Kaalak – East Perth Common Ground** Learn how East Perth Common Ground achieved a 5 Star Green Star Buildings v1.0 certification through a combination of passive design, sustainable material selection, water-saving initiatives and a strong focus on reconciliation and resident health and wellbeing, delivering a resilient and health focused development with exceptional social value. ***Madlen Jannaschk*** *- ESG Director,* ***Cundall***
5:10pm	**Closing remarks**
5:15pm- 6:15pm	**Networking drinks reception**