

A Future Vision for Perth Zoo

Join us on this wild journey



The Zoo that moves with you

A glimpse into the possibilities for Perth Zoo beyond 2019

For 120 years, Perth Zoo has been part of the community's story. Today we celebrate our status as a world leading conservation zoo, but it is vital that we don't stand still. That's why we want to work with you to create your future zoo, a **zoo that moves with you**.

WA locals make up the majority of Zoo visitors, this is your zoo, so it is important to me that we involve you in this wild journey with us. This will be a long-term plan for our special Zoo site in South Perth, and will guide what happens there for 15-20 years. It's important we get it right.

We want to create vibrant, rotating habitats that offer all the creature comforts the special animals at the Zoo require, while delivering an unparalleled wildlife experience for you. Watch the animals' joy while creating your own, right here at Perth Zoo. It would be a zoo for animals and a zoo for you.

Together, let's bring the work that happens behind-the-scenes to the forefront, giving you the opportunity to watch veterinary procedures, look into the breeding facilities for endangered animals and see the work being done for our unique WA species. Perth Zoo is a sanctuary, a school, a wildlife dating agency, a nursery, a hospital, scientific institution and your local wilderness. We want to create new experiences to share this with you.

Very soon new lions will join Perth Zoo to connect us to the globally important breeding program protecting these magnificent animals against extinction. We are planning a new café and function centre to improve your visitor experience.

As part of this journey we will be saying goodbye to our much loved elephants at the Zoo. The health of our elderly elephant Tricia is frail. Elephants are animals who need to live as part of a herd, and once Tricia is no longer with us, our remaining male and female elephants will move to new homes.

This change gives us the opportunity to reimagine a large area of the Zoo and evolve to a new standard to create a dynamic and engaging asset for the WA community.

We're excited about moving forward. We're excited to be planning a **zoo that moves with you**.

Entry Village

We may change direction. We could reorient the Zoo so that visitors enter from the Windsor Park side of Perth Zoo, providing immersion in nature right from the outset. Iconic WA bird species could provide a cacophony of voices from the Zoo, heralding your arrival and setting the scene for a wild adventure.



Hon Stephen Dawson MLC
Minister for Environment;
Disability Services



Wild Vets

Imagine seeing inside the veterinary hospital. Watch our experts clean a lion's teeth or assess a snake and see conservation medicine in action to help animals thrive. With your support we could build a conservation centre of excellence, showcasing what we do together to save wildlife. It would be something WA can be proud of!



Bear and Tiger Tunnels

They're on the prowl. The big cats and Sun Bears could have more room to roam thanks to treetop tunnels, an idea based on cutting edge international zoo design. It would provide more habitat for them while visitors would have better viewing opportunities to appreciate these majestic animals.



People of the Forest

Together we could build a zoo that gives our world renowned orangutan colony more room to swing. O-lines, highly suspended cable tracks, would give the great apes the choice to traverse the open skies while giving guests a better look at one of our closest relatives.

Primate Pursuits

Monkey mayhem! The primate habitat could be expanded to include exploration tree top tunnels. With your support, visitors could delight in watching them partake in cheeky primate pursuits, leaping and foraging for insects and tasty treats, right above your head!



Rotating the View

Learning from our international zoo colleagues, our exhibits could be designed to rotate animals through different areas so that no two days were ever the same for you or them. Will there be a giraffe or rhino at the waterhole? Imagine having to stop at a real life zebra crossing as they trot across the pathway to another yard. Constantly moving. Constantly different. The Zoo that moves with you!

Animal Rotation Savannah



Movement could be made possible with cutting edge design

The **Zoo that moves with you** concept would be made possible thanks to cutting edge design which would provide the animals more room to roam, creating happy habitats for them and happy memories for you.

The movement in the Savannah area would be achieved by using circular enclosures used to herd animals. Strategically placed, they would guide the Zoo animals from one exhibit to another, so that different animals at different times of the day could enjoy a vibrant waterhole being built right in the heart of Perth Zoo. This would create a safari type experience for visitors. Will there be an ostrich, rhino or giraffe at the waterhole?

In the Asian Rainforest, a series of overhead crossings and o-lines, highly suspended cables, would make it possible for the animals to journey between different exhibits. There could literally be tiger crossings! Animals like the Sumatran Tiger and Sun Bear could be rotated using elevated crossings, imagine having a big cat pad overhead, coming within a whisker of you while orangutans swing through the trees on long o-lines showing off their impressive upper body strength.

Importantly, the rotation of exhibits and overhead crossings would increase the animals' territories, providing further opportunities for exercise and jaw dropping viewing for visitors, giving a better appreciation of the amazing natural abilities of wildlife. No two days would ever be the same. Each day the animals and you would experience different sights, sounds and smells, creating one truly wild experience.

We are at the beginning of this journey together. A future Master Plan will provide costings for each element of the design, and identify appropriate funding sources. The vision for the **Zoo that moves with you** will be realised through Perth Zoo's capital budget, together with private and philanthropic investment or donations.

This is just a glimpse of the wild journey we could create with you. Constantly moving. Constantly changing. The Zoo that moves with you!

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