

# Melville South Project

## Update Newsletter – June 2014

The City of Melville and Western Power are pleased to provide this update on the progress of the Melville South Underground Power Project. Another update will be provided to all property owners and stakeholders in early December 2014, then quarterly from June 2015 until construction of the project is complete.

### Project Update

Please refer to the map of the project area overleaf.

Design and planning work by Western Power is continuing. The project is expected to commence in May 2015 and will take around 12 months to complete. The December update will provide a revised map showing the project broken into Cells and the direction of the work through the project area.

### Transformer and Switchgear Cabinets

A very important part of the design of the project is the locations for this equipment which is integral to the distribution of power to each property through the new underground system. A consultation process will be conducted in June and July 2014 with property owners within sight of each piece of equipment so they have the opportunity to comment on their placement.

### New Street Lights

The new street lighting system is being designed to Australian Standard AS1158 and will provide:

- around 10% more lights installed than are removed with the old overhead system;
- closer spacing of the lights than at present,;
- alternating of them to both sides of the road;
- placing of them around a metre from the kerb to provide better lighting to the roadway;
- and increased lighting levels at intersections.

Also, the new steel light poles are designed to collapse when hit by vehicles, to reduce damage and injuries. The new lighting system will provide safer, brighter and more evenly lit streets.

### Conclusion

Melville South will be the ninth project undertaken in the City of Melville since the State Underground Power Program commenced in Applecross in 1996. A very good working relationship exists between the City and the Project Team at Western Power, so we expect the project to be constructed in a timely and efficient manner. All of the City of Melville projects have been completed within budget.

## Contact Details

For general enquiries about the project, please call;

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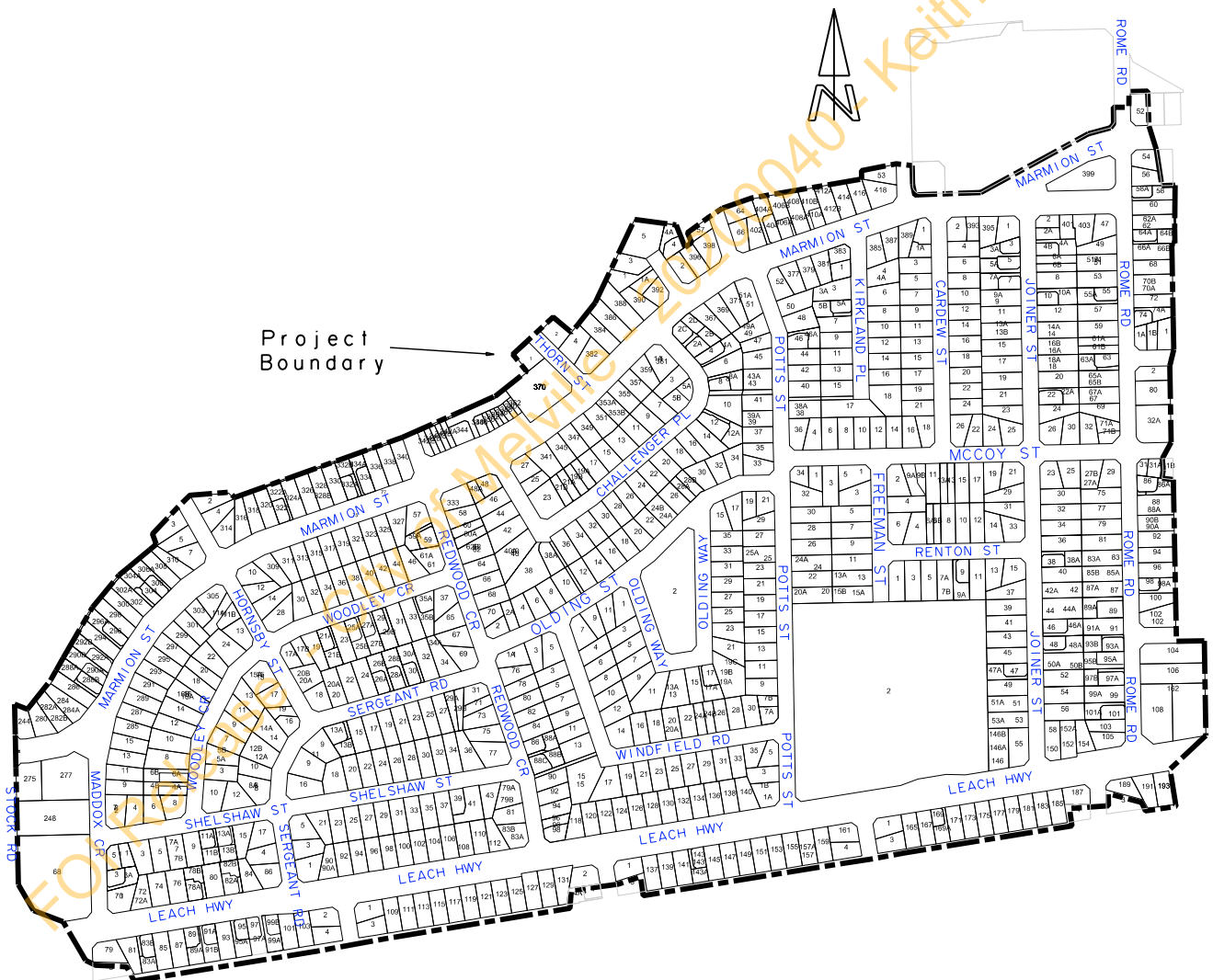
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The State Underground Power Program in Melville South is a partnership between the Government of Western Australia (through the Public Utilities Office), Western Power and the City of Melville, to improve residential amenity and security of power supply.