

## SHIRE PRESIDENT - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

### SIGNIFICANT TREE REGISTER

1. As per LPS4 Section 47, has a Significant Tree Register been established? If yes can a list of trees and locations be provided for Councils information?

**Answer:** No. The Shire began collecting a list of possible trees for inclusion on a Significant Tree Register in 2015 however, there were no parameters or criteria which determined whether or not a tree should be considered significant and the project was not continued. That list has however been retained for possible future use.

2. When was the last tree added to the register? Have any been removed from the list?

**Answer:** Not applicable. There is currently no Significant Tree Register.

### TREE FARMS

1. How many hectares of:

a) Pine and;

b) Blue Gums are currently being grown at the moment in the Shire of Nannup?

**Answer:** It is not possible to determine how many hectares of plantation are currently on the ground within the Shire. However, based on Shire records and recent advice from the Forest Product Commission there are approximately 7,050ha either planted or planned to be planted in pines, and 10,160ha planted or planned to be planted in blue gums. These numbers include both freehold properties and Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Land.

2. How many hectares have been given a DA but currently not planted?

**Answer:** This is not able to be determined as there is no requirement for a plantation owner to advise the Shire when they commence planting. It is also possible that some properties may have changed ownership and are no longer intended to be used for tree farming following the most recent harvest. There is also no requirement for the Shire to be notified in these cases if the new use of the land is a permitted use under LPS4, for example "agriculture – extensive".

3. How many hectares zoned Rural and Priority Agriculture are within the Shire?

**Answer:** Based on the Synergy property records, there is 7,500ha of Rural zoned land and 27,300ha of Priority Agriculture zoned land.