



**Kate Chaney** MP  
FEDERAL MEMBER FOR CURTIN



## January 2023 Newsletter

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*Hello*

*Happy new year!*

*I hope you are enjoying some quieter time over January – it's a great time to be on one of our beaches - I'm trying to get an early morning swim in whenever I can.*

*After a much-appreciated break over Christmas, I am in the thick of planning for 2023.*

*Soon we will be starting our Curtin Pathway to Net Zero project, working with a range of councils, organisations and community members across Curtin to*

*work out what it means for Curtin to be a net zero community, what we can do now and what policy changes we need to see at a Federal, State and Local level to help us get there.*

*A big part of this is how we use energy in our homes. You can help me understand how we're going on energy efficiency in Curtin by completing this survey: <https://bit.ly/CurtinEnergyEfficiency>.*

*We will also be discussing the amazing opportunities ahead for WA businesses, as we pivot our economy from fossil fuels to green energy.*

*The first parliamentary sitting in early February is likely to see the enabling legislation for the Voice Referendum passed, with the referendum itself later in the year. I will be supporting the 'yes' campaign and will hold some events to build our collective knowledge of the 'why' and the 'how'.*

*In the coming months, I am hopeful that we might see some progress on a path to permanency for the thousands of refugees who have been in limbo as temporary visa holders. I will continue to hold Government to account on its commitment to a more humane approach in this area and I still feel optimistic (if a little impatient).*

*My committee work has already started for the year, and this year I will be involved in reports on gambling reform; donation reform and other aspects of the 2022 election; and alcohol and other community issues experienced by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the Northern Territory. I look forward to holding Government to account on their responses to these reports in 2023.*

*We will also see the first Wellbeing Economy report later in the year. I am in discussions with the Treasurer about how we can ensure that community views (especially from Curtin) are informing our approach to measuring the 'success' of our economy.*

*In 2023, we will also see some much-needed changes to the Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act. I will be engaging with all the environmental groups and concerned citizens of Curtin on the changes, to ensure that we are doing what we can to protect the places we love.*

*I hope to see you soon at a monthly community catch-up or at one of the events we will be holding during 2023. Remember that democracy only works if we get involved - make 2023 the year to rebuild your relationship with our democracy!*

*Kate*



## *Events*

### **January Community Catch-Up at Trigg Beach**

**Day:** *Thursday 12 January*

**Time:** *9.30am - 10.30am*

**Place:** *On the grass in front of Trigg Surf Club*

*Community catch-ups are my opportunity to hear from you on a broad range of issues. If you know any Curtin residents who would like to share their views or concerns, please encourage them to come along.*



*December Community Catch-Up at Matilda Bay*

## *Household energy efficiency survey*

*Energy efficiency is about reducing demand for energy use through smart design, new technologies and behaviour change. Energy efficient homes use less energy, resulting in lower energy bills and less emissions. I want to know what challenges Curtin households face in making energy efficiency improvements, and how the Government can best support you.*

[\*Take the survey\*](#)

*This survey will inform Curtin's submission to the Government's national energy efficiency consultation and help me understand how we're going on energy efficiency in Curtin. The survey is open until Friday 27th January.*

## *Grant opportunities*

*Do you know a young sporting champion?*

*Applications are now open for Round 4 of the Local Sporting and Para Champions financial assistance programs. The programs help young coaches, officials and competitors participating in state, national or international championships.*

*Find out more about:*

[Local Sporting Champions](#)

[Local Para Champions](#)

## Social Media

Don't forget to follow me on social media. It's the best way to keep up-to-date and find out about upcoming events. My social media handles are below - plus I'm on:

BeReal [katechaneymp](#)



## Kate in the news

ABC News article titled "What Kate Chaney is reading this summer". The article features a photo of Kate Chaney and is dated Monday, 2 Jan 2023 at 3:05pm.

The West Australian article titled "Banksia Hill riot: Calls growing to overhaul WA's youth detention system". The article is by Katina Curtis and is dated Monday, 2 January 2023 12:06PM. It includes a photo of the Banksia Hill Detention Centre sign.

## FINANCIAL REVIEW

19 / 50 From political novices to electoral giant killers, teal independents (from left) Allegra Spender, Monique Ryan, Zoe Daniel, Kylea Tink, Sophie Scamps, Kate Chaney have redrawn the lines of power in federal parliament. Collectively, they were ranked at No.4 on the 2022 Power list. Part of the largest ever crossbench in the House of Representatives, the group - backed up by David Pocock in the Senate - already forms a critical pressure point for Labor and has wiped out the next generation of Liberal moderates. Together their power could keep the Coalition out of office, wrote Tom McLroy in our annual Power issue, denying Peter Dutton a path to the prime ministership. Having harnessed widespread dissatisfaction with the political ruling class, the teals are high profile and articulate. Time will tell who of them becomes the first among equals.  
James Brickwood



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*We acknowledge the Whadjuk Noongar people as the Traditional Custodians of this land and pay our respects to their Elders past and present.*

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