

**Speech by Mayor Logan k Howlett, City of Cockburn and Chair of the Perth South West Metropolitan Alliance – Elected Member and Executive Briefing at The Jakovich Centre – Thursday 26 February 2026**

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Ladies and gentlemen

As we bring to a close tonight's briefing session, I take this opportunity to thank all in attendance for their participation and the networking opportunities that have occurred and that will be extended in just a few moments.

In particular, I thank our speakers including those who have travelled from Canberra to engage directly with us tonight and to those visiting from the United Kingdom just a few extra miles from here.

To Maria Rennie, UK Consul General in Western Australia and your team whose support has helped bring our communities together tonight, especially during a period of significant operational demand associated with the visit of HMS Anson at Garden Island we thank you.

I now invite everyone to stay for refreshments and further conversation and networking and to join us for photographs at the media wall to record tonight's briefing forum.

Thank you.