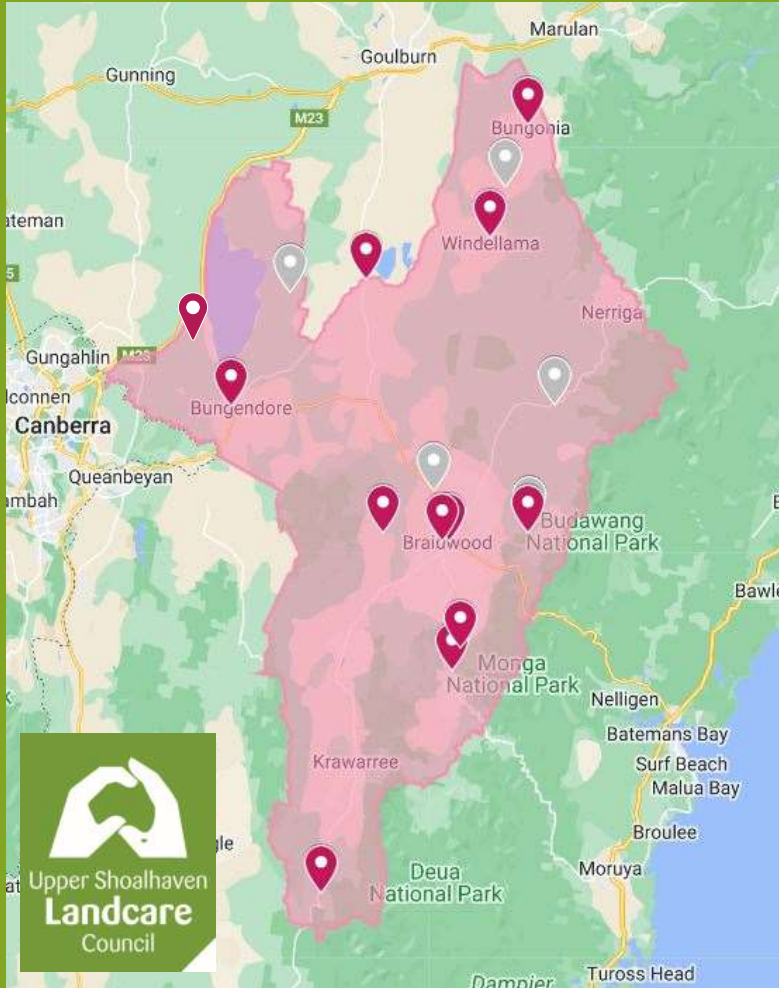




Welcome

Upper Shoalhaven Landcare Council's Mini Muster & Annual General Meeting 2025

Discover & Celebrate Landcare
Around the Region

AGM Agenda

Upper Shoalhaven Landcare Council Inc.
Annual and Special General Meeting Agenda
Date: Friday 7 November 2025 **Time:** 5:30pm
Venue: Function Room, Braidwood Servicemen's Club

1. Welcome and acknowledgement
2. Present and apologies
3. Accept minutes of the annual general meeting held [22 November 2024](#)
4. Receive committee reports on 2025 activities
5. Consider 2024-25 financial statements
6. Consider special resolution to update constitution
7. Elect office-bearers and committee members
8. Discuss membership fees
9. AGM Close and Mini Muster begins

Minutes Previous AGM

• 22 November 2024



Upper Shoalhaven Landcare Council Inc. Annual General Meeting Minutes

Date: Friday 22 November 2024 Time: 5.37pm

Venue: Function Room, Broadwood Servicemen's Club

1. Welcome and acknowledgement to Country, Traditional owners - Djuwiri Nation & Elders

2. Present and Apologies:

Committee members: Robyn Clubs, Mary Appleby, Anne McVilly and Elizabeth Trigg.

Coordinator: Erin Brinkley

Guests: Larry O'Loughlin, Frank Egan, Carmen Byrne, Don Woods, Elizabeth Ward

Apologies:

Felicity Sturgis, David Watson, Sarah Merriman, Bec Kloos, Judith Turley, David Watson, Rose Ricketson, Elke Kramer, Victoria Ruyds & Clare Henderson.

3. Confirm the minutes of the annual general meeting held 1 December 2023 (attached)

• [Link to Minutes of Previous AGM held 1 December 2023](#)

That the minutes of AGM held 1 December 2023 be accepted

Moved: Frank Seconded: Mary CARRIED

4. Receive from the committee reports on the activities of USLC during 2024

Acting Presidents' Report - Robyn Clubs LINK

- Thank you to Felicity Sturgis for all her work as President on this committee. We hope that she will return in the future.
- The LEP Program funding for 3 years was announced late 2023. We got the first payment for the coordinator role in February 2024 and a related payment for the full 2024-25 financial year in October.
- We are very happy to have Erin Brinkley for 2.5 FTE or 17.5 hours per week in the Coordinator role.
- Nursery Project - Our partnership with Upper Murrumbidgee Landcare and Wagtail Nursery is going well. USLC has established a growers network known as the "Southern Tablelands Tree Growers Network." Our participant numbers are growing and we will soon meet our target of propagating 10,000 seedlings.
- The committee agreed that our main focus is to support all the Landcare groups in our Network and our nursery project.

Local Landcare Coordinator Report - Erin Brinkley LINK

Bombay Landcare - Congratulations to Bombay Landcare for doing great work this year. In turn Carmen appreciates all the work Erin has done on the display board and all the group's activities in 2024.

Bungendore Landcare

- Officially launched Trees for Climate website, screened "Bacha's Farm", and hosted an information night on the geological/hydrological history of Weereswa (Lake George) with regards to possible extreme rainfall events due to rising sea surface temperatures.
- At these events our guests included local Regenerative/HM farmers, ANU scientists (Prof Brad Opdyke and Prof Mark Howden), and ex-CSIRO-now-Extension Rebellion environmental scientist

- Nick Abel, as well as local Climate Change Adaptation expert Mei Hilary.
- We are currently organising to partner with Bungendore Lions Club to do some re-forestation/habitat creation in the village of Bungendore, and some of our members are involved in the Landcare Australia direct-seeding project for 2025.
- Take the opportunity to thank Erin, and Upper Shoalhaven, for the magnificent support you have given us in the past few years, as well as Andy Taylor from Broadwood LLS for support with climate-ready farms event.

Sustainable Broadwood

- Website is close to being launched and will feature in-depth profiles of community organisations, individuals and projects that reflect the values of SB - community, creativity and care.
- Part of the SB website will be a skills library. We hope it will be a resource for community members to better organise and resource themselves with the vast array of skills in our community. Launch event expected in early 2025.
- Workshops have been planned for 2025 at Plumwood Mountain with the Bateman's Bay LALC as both a follow-up to The Circle film conversation around traditional fire management, and to bring young people into the conversation with arts-based workshops on Country. We look forward to building a relationship with Plumwood Mountain and the new custodians and are excited for what this local IPA represents for reconciliation in our region.

Erin stated that:

1. USLC would particularly like to thank Larry and Felicity for all their work negotiating and securing the LEP funding while they were President.
2. USLC would like to acknowledge the generous donation of plants for the market stall we held in April courtesy of Lorinda Wilkes and in memorial to the late Richard Stone of Curcobbilly Mountain Nursery in Mongerlowe.
3. Erin helped deliver the Being Heatwave Ready and Grazing for Tomorrow webinars under the Landcare NSW People Led Prevention Project. Thank you Felicity Sturgis for securing the grant and her vision for this project.
4. Into the future the USLC will be focusing on the following projects:
 - securing funding for a St Bedes Seniors Garden;
 - focus on youth engagement and nature based education within our area;
 - supporting our local Landcare groups; and
 - maintaining and strengthening the Southern Tablelands Tree Growers Network.

5. Receive and consider the USLC 2023-2024 Financial Statements:

- [USLC NTF Association Financial Report 2024](#)
- [USLC NTF Association Financial Report 2023](#)
- [Management Letter from PricewaterhouseCoopers](#)

Robyn tabled the financial statements and an independent review of our finances for 2023-2024 and 2022-2023. The independent review has found all is in order. Robyn would like to recognise Erin, Larry and Julian Low for all their hard work on the financials under the new structure. A special thank you also to Rhyl Tozer of PricewaterhouseCoopers for reviewing the books for USLC pro-bono.

That the 2023-2024 Financial statements be accepted

Moved: Mary Seconded: Anne CARRIED

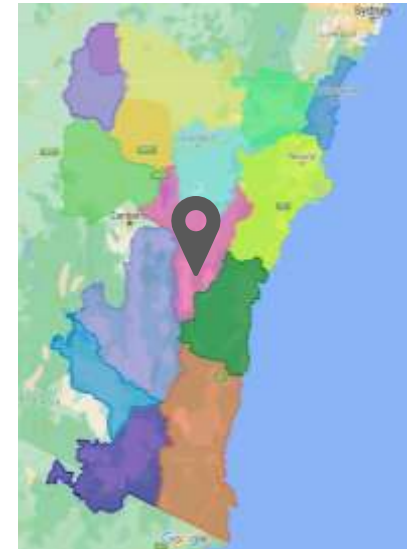
6. The following office-bearers of USLC and ordinary committee members were elected, namely:

- President - Mary Appleby (Part time)
- Vice-president - Robyn Clubs
- Secretary - Elizabeth Trigg
- Treasurer - Robyn Clubs
- Two ordinary committee members: Anne McVilly (Public Officer) and Bec Kloos

8. Meeting Close - 5.42pm

Committee Report

- President Mary Appleby
- Special thanks to 2025 Committee:
 - President Mary Appleby
 - Treasurer Robyn Clubb
 - Secretary Elizabeth Trigg
 - Public Officer Anne McVilly
 - Bec Klomp



Coordinator's Report

- Tathra Oysters tree guard collection
- South East Landcare Muster in Bungendore
- The Circle makes film festivals
- Far South Coast Seed Bank Tour
- Corang Pine Planting



Nursery Hub & Growers Network

- Secured lease agreement with Dargues Gold Mine
- March Tubestock Round Up and new trailer
- Nursery Hub polytunnel installation
- August first working bees on site at Dargues
- September Spring Swap & Drop Sessions



Youth Engagement Series

- Sensory gardens
Braidwood Preschool
and St Bedes Primary
- Yurbay Aboriginal Plant
Use Workshops



Financial Report

- Treasurer Robyn Clubb
- Financial Report 2024-25FY
- New bookkeeper

Balance Sheet

	\$
Total Assets	120,439
Total Liabilities	<u>109,896</u>
Net Assets	10,543

Financial Report

- Treasurer Robyn Clubb
- Financial Report 2024-25FY
- New bookkeeper

Profit & Loss

	\$
Gross Profit	135,171
Operating Expenses	<u>137,007</u>
Operating Loss	(1,836)
Other items	<u>1,835</u>
Net Loss	(1)

Special Resolution Update Constitution

- Current [Constitution 1 December 2023](#)
- Proposed [New Constitution Template](#)

Reasons for Adoption:

- Become eligible to apply for Deductible Gift Recipient status
- Update Membership pricing to more flexible model
- Simplify sub-committee clauses to rely on a separate Terms of Reference
- Scope for more flexible office bearing roles



Upper-Shoalhaven Landcare Council

Constitution

As revised 1 December 2023



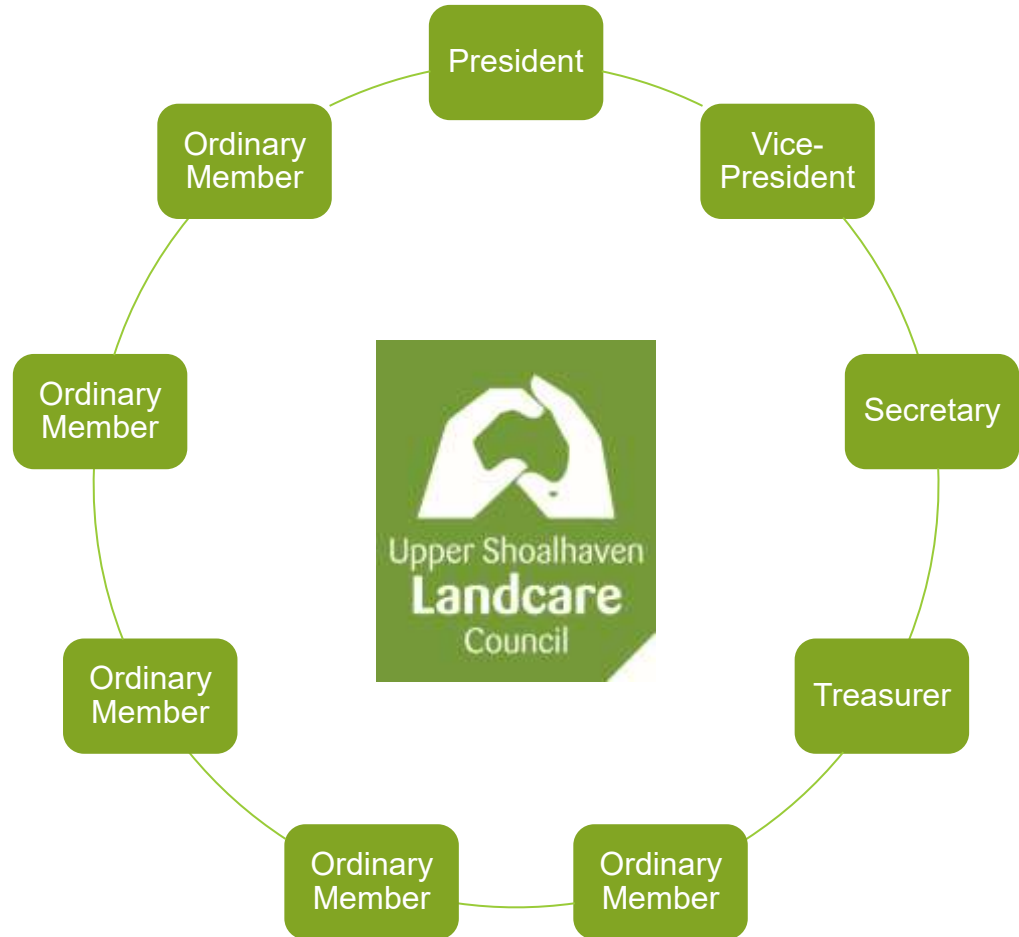
Constitution

Upper Shoalhaven Landcare Council Incorporated
Incorporation Number: Y1546113
ABN: 95 626 329 105

Incorporated	28-08-1992
Review date	To be determined by the Committee

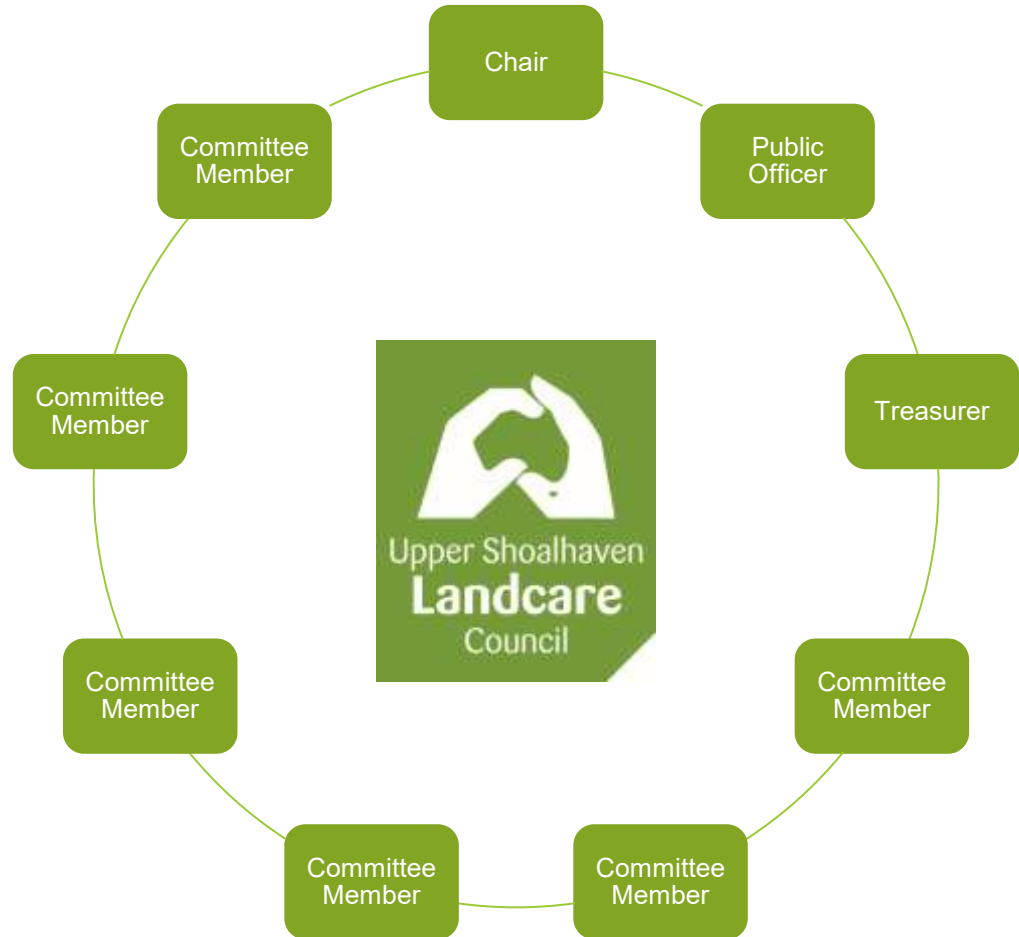
Elect Committee for 2026 – Existing Model

- Calling for Nominations
- Thanks and best wishes to any outgoing members
- AGM Close



Elect Committee for 2026 – New Model

- Calling for Nominations
- Thanks and best wishes to any outgoing members
- AGM Close



Membership Fees

- Simplify to annual membership fees for:
 - Individuals
 - Household
 - Sub-committees
 - Landcare or Affiliated Groups

Current Pricing

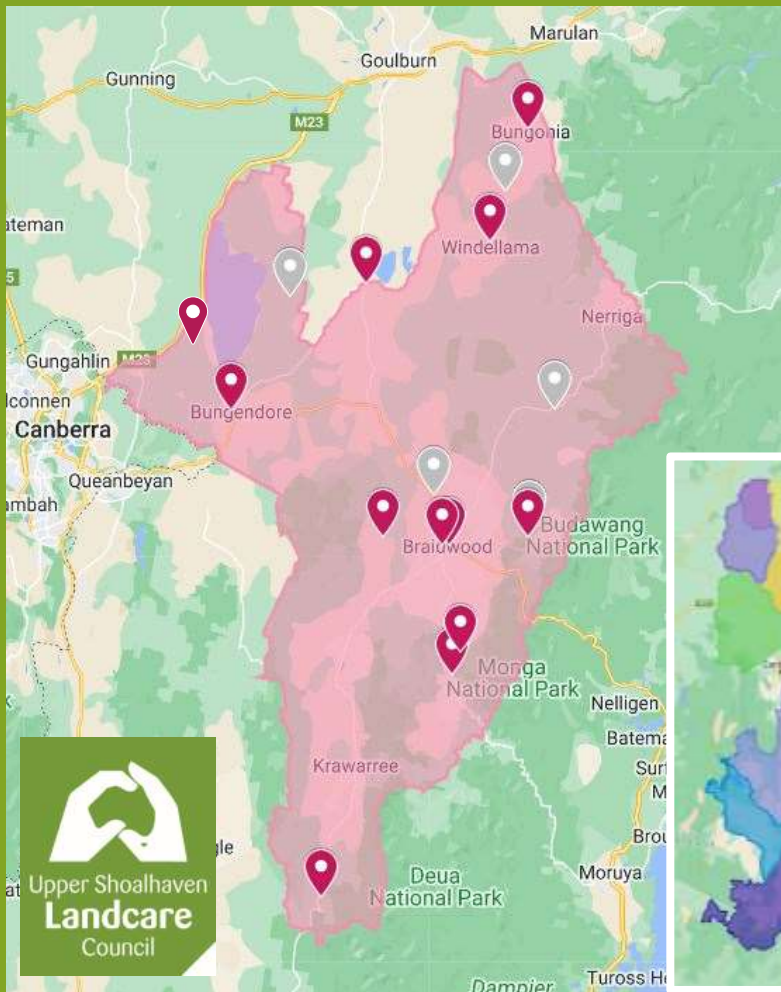
- Individual 1 year \$7.00 / 3 years \$21.00
- Farm / Family 1 year \$12.00 / 3 years \$36.00
- Bombay Landcare Group 1 Year Farm / Family - \$15.00
- Braidwood Rural Landcare 3 Year Farm / Family - \$36.00
- Sustainable Braidwood 3 Year Individual - \$5.00

Membership class	Eligibility criteria	Voting rights	Annual membership fee
Corporate Member	Not Applicable	Non-voting	Not applicable
Ordinary Individual Membership	A natural person who is committed to the Principal Purpose of the Association.	Voting	To be determined at the annual general meeting of the Association
Ordinary Household Membership	A group of natural people who reside at the same residential or property address	Voting	To be determined at the annual general meeting of the Association
Subcommittee Member	A natural person who is committed to the Principal Purpose of the Association.	Voting	To be determined at the annual general meeting of the respective subcommittee
Landcare or Affiliated Group Member	An independent Incorporated or Unincorporated Landcare Group, organization or corporation that is committed to the Principal Purpose of the Association.	Non-Voting	To be determined at the annual general meeting of the Association

Mini - Muster

Discover & Celebrate Landcare Around the Region

- Bombay
- Braidwood Urban
- Braidwood Rural
- Bungendore
- Bungonia
- Mongarlowe / Friends of Mongarlowe River
- Sheep Station Creek
- Sustainable Braidwood
- Snowball Landcare
- Tarago
- Taylors Creek
- Upper Deua Catchment
- Wamboin and Gearys Gap
- Windellama



Bombay Landcare

- Bombay Reserve and Region Display Board finished and launched in October
- Mulloon Institute Water Stewardship Program: August landscape rehydration field day & upcoming boot camp



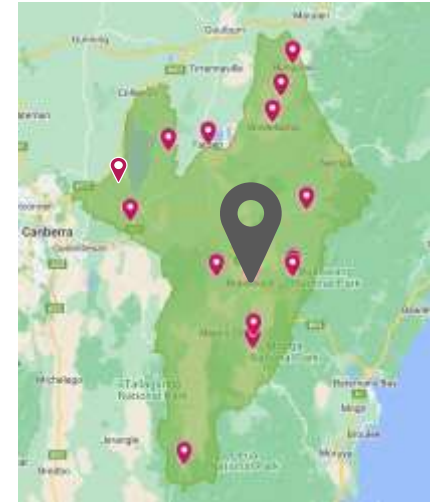
Sheep Station Creek Landcare

- Collaboration with Bombay Landcare on Bombay Reserve Display Board Research, Design and Illustrations



Braidwood Urban Landcare Group

- Braidwood European Wasp Offensive
- Community Gardens
Braidwood Common



Bungendore Landcare

- July National Tree Day Planting Bungendore Park
- Trees for Climate Website
www.treesforclimate.com.au
- Upcoming koala presentation & Burchfield Drive microforest/garden project

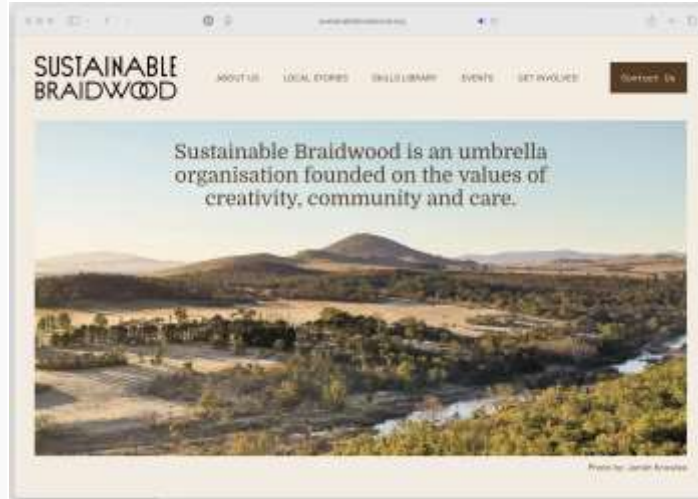


Sustainable Braidwood

- Launch new online hub and website:

www.sustainablebraidwood.org

- Features local stories and skills directory to celebrate and deepen community resilience



Upper Deua Catchment Landcare

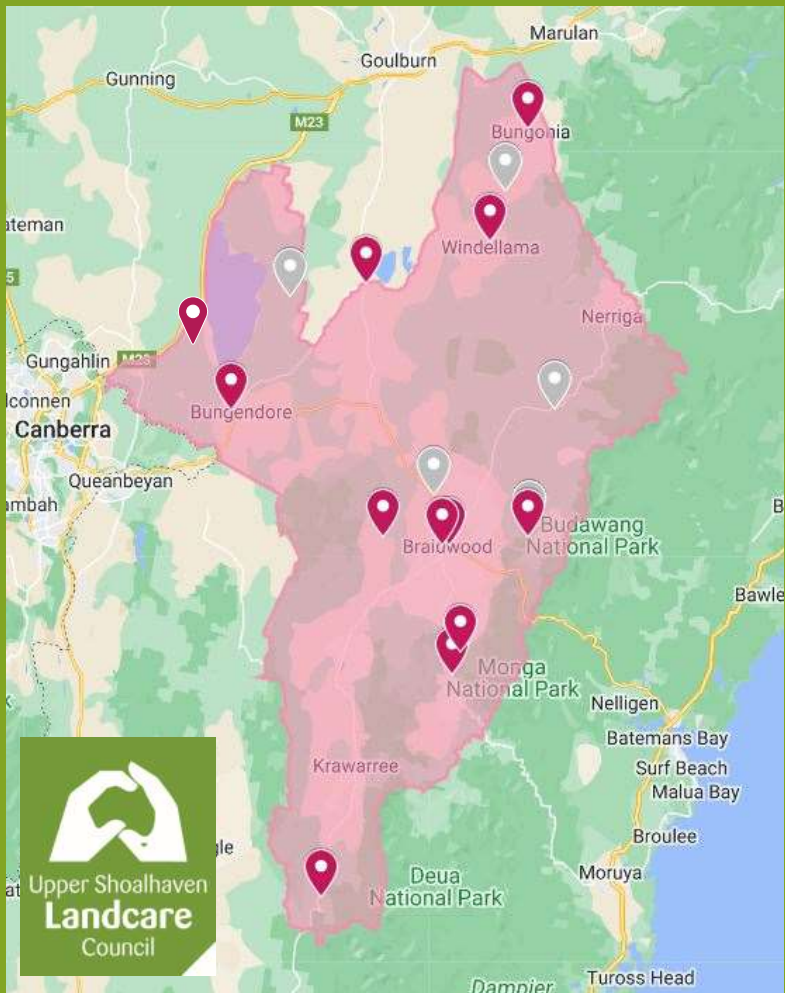
- Willoughby Bushcarers visit for March tree planting
- Mine Enforceable Undertaking Project & Apical weed control along Araluen Creek
- Upcoming TIMME project with Mulloon Institute



Wamboin and Gearys Gap Landcare

- Native propagation and small-scale nursery
- Sell plants at local markets – next on 15th November
- Host propagation sessions 1st Saturday of the month





Thank You for Coming

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