

# BRENDON GRYLLES

STRATEGY AND INNOVATION CONSULTANT



Assisting the people of the Pilbara play a lead role in developing the community, driving the local economy, creating opportunities for future generation and protecting their culture, heritage and environment are key drivers for my business and community.

## PERSONAL

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## EXPERIENCE

### BGG - Brendon Grylls Group

2017 - current

Director

Karratha, Western Australia

Combining his love of the northwest, his passion for regional development, experience with major projects and 16 years at the coalface of every decision that affected the regions, Brendon brings a unique perspective to business development, strategy, advocacy and project delivery. Brendon now works with a diverse range of businesses in agribusiness, resources, indigenous corporations, aviation and tourism who have harnessed his one of a kind skillset, profile and innovation to achieve growth and development for their own business, brand or project.

- \* 2019 - Aviair - Inter Regional Flight Network - Launched flight network in partnership with the City of Karratha, Shire of East Pilbara and Rio Tinto;
- \* 2019 - Aqua Forest Carbon Farm - Partnership with University of Western Australia to investigate the feasibility of seagrass and mangrove carbon sequestration in the Pilbara in infrastructure and offsets sectors;
- \* 2019 - Karratha and Districts Chamber of Commerce and Industry - Established Business Roundtable to link Karratha Business Sector to Industry;
- \* 2019 - Murujuga Aboriginal Corporation - Alliance Agreement to develop partnership opportunities;
- \* 2019 - Netball WA - Conceived and delivered one of the nations largest ever womens sport sponsorship deals between Gold Industry and Netball WA - \$5.6 million over three years;
- 2018 - Nickol Bay Water Recycling Company - Formed and innovative \* partnership with Yara Pilbara to develop, trial and supply nitrogen fertiliser to Pilbara irrigated agriculture.

### Gumula Foundation Trust

2017 - current

Chairperson

Perth, Western Australia

Gumula Investments Pty Ltd has a vital role as the Trustee of the General Gumula Foundation and has legal responsibility to appropriately manage and supervise the monies received and distributed on behalf of the foundation under the terms of the Trust Deed. The Trust manages assets of nearly \$100 million dollars on behalf of the beneficiaries, the traditional owners of the Yinhawangka, Bunjima and Niyaparli people.

### Member of Parliament - The Nationals WA

2016-2017

LEADER

Perth, Western Australia

MEMBER FOR PILBARA

MINISTER FOR HOUSING

MINISTER FOR RACING, GAMING & LIQUOR

In 2016 I was re-elected to the leadership of the Nationals WA and the Western Australian State Government cabinet as Minister for Housing, Racing Gaming and Liquor. I was also reappointed to the Economic Expenditure Review Committee.

One key highlight of 2016 and my involvement in cabinet and the EERC was the successful negotiations that lead to the creation of the Balla Balla Iron, Rail and Port State Agreement. This state agreement will facilitate a new iron ore producer and export port for the Pilbara region and a workforce that will live in the Pilbara.

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## INTERESTS

Boating

Spearfishing

Mountain Biking

Politics

## SKILLS

Innovation

Business Strategy

Media Engagement

Negotiation

Government Liaison

Brand Development

Profile Repositioning

Public Speaking

## EDUCATION

### Tertiary

1991

Murdoch University

Law / Commerce - 1991

Left University to return to family farm and business interests

### Secondary

1985-1990

Wesley College

## EXPERIENCE

### Member of Parliament - The Nation-

2014

MEMBER FOR PILBARA

Karratha, Western Australia

In 2014, I stepped down from my position as Leader of the Nationals, WA as well as my position in Western Australian State Government cabinet. I continued to represent the Pilbara as the Member for the Pilbara in the Western Australian State Government and relocated to Karratha from Perth with my family, to become a more active participant within the Pilbara community.

### Member of Parliament

2013

LEADER

Perth, Western Australia

MEMBER FOR PILBARA

MINISTER FOR REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

MINISTER FOR LANDS

In 2013 I contested and won the Western Australian seat of the Pilbara and was also reappointed as Minister for Regional Development and Lands. A strong focus of the 2013 campaign was improving the participation and opportunity for the indigenous community to participate in the Western Australian economy. To facilitate this I was a member of the cabinet sub-committee for indigenous development.

### Member of Parliament

2012

LEADER

Perth, Western Australia

MEMBER FOR CENTRAL WHEATBELT

MINISTER FOR REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

MINISTER FOR LANDS

In 2012, I (together with Hon. Christian Porter, the WA State Treasurer at the time) co-sponsored the successful establishment of a Western Australian Future Fund. The now legislated WA Future Fund receives a percentage of mining royalties and is currently valued at over \$1 billion.

Also in 2012, I launched the 'Seizing the Opportunity in Agriculture' policy. This three hundred and fifty million dollar initiative enabled the agricultural sector to seize the opportunity of rising global demand and contributed to strengthening regional communities where agriculture is a major economic activity.

Also in 2012, I led the negotiations which finalised the Anketel Native Title Agreement with Ngarluma traditional owners. Building strong relationships with Ngarluma leaders enabled a timely native title resolution including a substantial benefits package and paved the way for Anketel to be project ready.

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2005 - 2008

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MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT  
LEADER | MEMBER FOR MERREDIN

In 2005, I was re-elected to State Parliament and became Leader of The West Australian National Party.

2001 - 2004

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MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT  
MEMBER FOR MERREDIN

In 2001, I was elected to State Parliament as Member for Merredin, representing The West Australian Nationals.

In 2004, I was promoted to Shadow Environment Minister in the Liberal/National Coalition.

1992 - 2001

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In 1998 the achievements of Windmill Flour were recognised when it was awarded the 'Innovation in Agriculture' award, at the Progress Rural WA Annual Awards.

In 1993 I was founder and managing director of Windmill Flour, manufacturing premium quality bread flour. In addition, I established national and international markets, brand development, industry advocacy and brand promotion.

In 1991 I left University where I was studying law/commerce to become a partner in the family diversified broadacre farming enterprise, which included cropping, beef, aquaculture, earthmoving, trucking and contracting.

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## EXPERIENCE

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### Member of Parliament

2010 / 2011

LEADER

Perth, Western Australia

### MEMBER FOR PILBARA

### MINISTER FOR REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT | MINISTER FOR LANDS

In 2010, the Southern Inland Health Initiative was launched to invest half a billion dollars into rebuilding the regional health system. This program has seen significant improvements in emergency medical care in regional WA, with more doctors being supported to live and work in the country, major infrastructure upgrades and using technology to deliver telehealth outcomes to remote communities.

Also in 2010, the Regional Telecommunications Project was launched. This project saw a hundred and twenty five million dollar investment to address mobile telephone and data coverage gaps in regional communities and at strategic locations in regional Western Australia. This initiative increased access to mobile voice and high speed data services, expanded commercial opportunities for local businesses and eliminated known mobile black spots. In 2011, the Housing Our Workers initiative was launched to deliver more than five hundred new homes for government employees in regional communities within Western Australia. Also in 2011, the Karratha Health Campus was announced, costing 207 million dollars it is the biggest ever investment in a public hospital undertaken in regional Western Australia.

### Member of Parliament

2008 / 2009

LEADER

Perth, Western Australia

### MEMBER FOR CENTRAL WHEATBELT

### MINISTER FOR REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT | MINISTER FOR LANDS

In 2008, I was re-elected to State Parliament and appointed to the Western Australian State Cabinet as Minister for Regional Development, Lands and Minister assisting State Development. During this time, I developed the Royalties for Regions legislation and debated it successfully through Parliament.

In 2009, I was appointed to the Economic Expenditure Review Committee, a committee of Cabinet which is annually tasked with developing and delivering the state budget.

Also in 2009 I launched the Ord-East Kimberley expansion plan - Ord stage two - in partnership with indigenous traditional owners. A three hundred million dollar investment that also attracted two hundred million dollars from the commonwealth government in National Partnership funding.

Also in 2009 I announced the Pilbara Cities Initiative, creating a blueprint to revitalise Pilbara communities. The focus of this program (a \$1.7 billion dollar initiative) was to rebuild the infrastructure and service delivery of the Pilbara with a target of growing Karratha and Hedland to populations of 50,000 by 2035 and to create opportunity and involvement for the local indigenous community.