1. In what year did you first join the Women's Electoral Lobby (WEL)?

(If you can't remember the exact year, please give your best guess and tick the Estimate box)

Year __________________ Estimate? □

2. Where did you live when you first joined WEL?

City/Town __________________

State/Territory __________________

3. How did you originally find out about WEL?


4. What was your main reason(s) for joining WEL?
5. Did you know anyone who was already a WEL member?

No [ ]

Yes [ ]

6. What particular issues were you concerned about at that time?


7. Have you belonged to more than one WEL branch/group?

No [ ]

Yes [ ] If YES, how many? [ ]

8. Are you currently a member of WEL?

[ ] Yes

[ ] No

If NO, when did you stop being a member? [ ]

If YES, have you ever let your membership lapse?

[ ] No
Yes

If YES, why did you let your membership lapse?

Why did you rejoin?

9. What activities have you taken part in as a member of WEL (such as office holder, policy development, lobbying, preparing press releases, newsletters, submissions, letters to editor, campaign work, attending meetings)? Please list:

10. What particular skills, knowledge and experience did you bring into
WEL? Please describe:

11. Have you developed new skills, networks or other benefits through WEL?

☐ No

☐ Yes

If Yes, please describe:

12. Has your involvement with WEL made a difference in other aspects of your life (such as lifestyle, relationships, type of employment or educational opportunities sought)?

☐ No

☐ Yes

If YES, please describe:
13. Since you joined WEL, have you been actively involved in other community organisations (such as women's groups, service/voluntary organisations, environment groups, unions, school P&C, local politics or specific issue campaign groups)?

☐ No

☐ Yes

If YES, please list:

14. Since you joined WEL, have you been active in any political parties?

☐ No

☐ Yes

If YES, please specify party/parties:
15. What have been the main outcomes of WEL activities at your State or local level (directly or indirectly)?

16. What do you think has been the main effect of WEL activity in the wider Australian society?

17. (a) Does WEL still have something to contribute to Australian society?
   - No
   - Yes

   If YES, please specify:
17 (b) What are the main issues WEL should be addressing?

17 (c) What strategies should WEL be using now to achieve its aims?

18. Are you female or male?
   - Female
   - Male

19. What is your year of birth?
   Year of birth

20. Where were you born?  
   - Australia
   - Overseas
   If within Australia, which State/Territory?

   If within Australia, was it in: (Please tick one)
   - Capital City
Regional City
Country/rural

If overseas, in which country?  

If overseas, in what year did you come to live in Australia?  

21. Was either of your parents born overseas?

Mother

☐ No
☐ Yes

If YES, what was her country of origin?  

Father

☐ No
☐ Yes

If YES, what was his Country of origin?  

22. When you were a child, what was the main language(s) spoken at home by your parents?  

23. Are you of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin?

☐ No
☐ Yes, Aboriginal
Yes, Torres Strait Islander

24. a) What type of secondary school did you attend?

- Government/State
- Fee-paying private
  - If FEE-PAYING PRIVATE, was this school:
    - Catholic
    - Other Religious
    - Other

24. b) Was the school:

- Co-educational
- Single Sex

25. When you were growing up, did you have any religious affiliation?

- No
- Yes

If YES, please specify (if Christian, give denomination)

26. When you were growing up (prior to age 15) what were the highest educational qualifications held by your parents? (Please tick only ONE option for each parent)

Mother

- Postgraduate degree/diploma
- Bachelor degree
27. When you were growing up (prior to age 15):

a) Was your mother in paid employment at any time during this period (including self-employed, small business, working in family business or farm)?

- No
- Yes

If YES, what was her occupation(s)?

27. b) Was your father in paid employment at any time during this period (including self-employed, small business, working in family business or farm)?

- No
If YES, what was/were his occupation(s)?

28. Were your parents involved in community organisations (such as women's groups, service/voluntary organisations, environment groups, unions, school P&C, local politics or specific issue campaign groups)?

Father
- Yes, very active
- Yes, some activity
- No, not at all

Mother
- Yes, very active
- Yes, some activity
- No, not at all

29. Were your parents active in political organisations?

Mother
- Yes, very active
- Yes, some activity
- No, not at all

Father
- Yes, very active
- Yes, some activity
30. Was either of your parents ever a member of WEL?

☐ Mother

☐ Father

About you when you first joined WEL

31. What was your highest educational qualification when you first joined WEL?

☐ Postgraduate degree/diploma

What was the main field of study for that qualification?

☐ Bachelor degree

What was the main field of study for that qualification?

☐ Associate professional/technician

What was the main field of study for that qualification?

☐ Skilled vocational

What was the main field of study for that qualification?

☐ Basic vocational

What was the main field of study for that qualification?

☐ No post school qualifications

32. Were you studying at that time?

☐ No
Yes

If YES, were you studying:

- Full-Time, or
- Part-Time

If you were studying, what was the level of the course?

- Postgraduate degree/diploma
- Bachelor degree
- Associate professional/technician
- Skilled vocational
- Basic vocational

33. (a) What was your marital status when you joined WEL?

- Never married
- Married
- Divorced/Separated
- Widowed

33. (b) Were you in a long-term relationship other than marriage?

- No
- Yes same sex partner
- Yes opposite sex partner

34. Did you have any children at the time?

- No
- Yes

If YES, how many children did you have in each age group?

Number aged under 5 years [ ]
Number aged 5-17 years

Number aged 18 years and over

35. Were you in paid employment then?

☐ No

If NO, What was your main activity (eg, education, helping in a family business, home duties, child care, caring for another person)? Please describe:

Were you actively looking for paid employment?

☐ No

☐ Yes

☐ Yes

If YES, What was your job?

Please describe your main tasks

Was the job full-time or part-time?

☐ Full-time

☐ Part-time
36. When you joined WEL, were you actively involved with any other community organisations (such as women's groups, service/voluntary organisations, environment groups, unions, school P&C, local politics or specific issue campaign groups)?

☐ No

☐ Yes

If YES, please list:


37. Were you active in any political parties when you first joined WEL?

☐ No

☐ Yes

If YES, Please specify party/parties


38. Did you have any religious affiliation at that time?

☐ No

☐ Yes
If YES, please specify (if Christian, give denomination)

About you now

39. Have you completed any study since you joined WEL?

☐ No

If NO, go to Q 40

☐ Yes

If YES, please give field and level of study

If YES, what is your highest educational qualification now?

☐ Postgraduate degree/diploma

☐ Bachelor degree

☐ Associate professional/technician

☐ Skilled vocational

☐ Basic vocational

40. What is your marital status now?

☐ Never married

☐ Married

☐ Divorced/Separated

☐ Widowed

Are you currently in a long-term relationship other than marriage?

☐ No

☐ Yes same sex partner
Yes opposite sex partner

41. At present are you in paid employment?

☐ No

If NO, are you actively looking for paid work?

☐ Yes

☐ No

If retired from the paid labour force please tick box ☐

☐ Yes

If YES, what is your job?

Please describe your main tasks:

Is your job full-time or part-time?

☐ Full-time

☐ Part-time

42. What are your main activities at present (eg. education, home duties, child care, caring for another person, helping in family business, voluntary work, paid job)?

1. 

2.
A chance to have your say

Over the next few lines we would welcome your thoughts, memories, stories and opinions about WEL and your association with it. Please feel free to say whatever you wish, such as accounts of memorable occasions, satisfying achievements, funny times together, exciting or frustrating moments.

We hope that your contributions will provide rich material to quote in the book. It would be helpful to the Project Team if you could give approximate dates of any incidents you describe.

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