# Prasophyllum ovale

## Name and Authority

Prasophyllum ovale Lindl.

Synonyms (previous names)

Paraprasophyllum ovale

#### Common Name

Little Leek Orchid

#### **Complex Name**

Prasophyllum ovale (Slender Leek Orchids)

#### Originally Described by

John Lindley in Sketch Veg.Swan R. 54 (1840)

#### Distribution and Habitat

Moora to Mount Barker, growing in sandy and sandy-clay soils in open woodlands. The species does not require a summer fire to flower.

## Flowering Months

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## Description

A small flowered <u>species</u> 200–400 mm high with a smooth tubular leaf 150–300 mm long by 2–3 mm wide and up to 20 white, green and brown flowers 7–8 mm across.

#### **Distinguishing Features**

It is distinguished from the closely related Dainty Leek Orchid (Prasophyllum plumiforme) by its generally shorter flower <u>scape</u> and fewer, larger flowers.

# WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed

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