

President's Report



It's that time of year again when our days start to lengthen, and we return to warmer weather. It's a gentle reminder that Summer is not far away and it's time to prepare for the fire season. This can include activities like cleaning up around your property and revisiting your fire plan. If you have equipment that can be used in an emergency or infrastructure that may help you defend your asset in the unfortunate event of a fire, the next few weeks are an ideal time to service them and get those things in order. If you require any information on what's expected of property owners regarding bushfire preparation or any other useful resources for preparation of your property, please don't hesitate to reach out to the helpful staff at the Shire administration building.

Council was recently given an update on the status of the approved Bristol Springs renewable energy project. The company behind this venture is Frontier Energy and it was explained the significant merits that our Shire has in regard to the energy industry as its currently positioned. Mention was made of green hydrogen production as a means of storing the energy created from solar electricity generation and could potentially lead hydrogen to be distributed and combined with the existing LPG line that dissects the Shire. This could be an exciting new emerging industry for our Shire and has the potential to create many jobs into the future.

Through the budget process this year, Council has committed to commence a new Town Planning Strategy which will be the vehicle for a modernised Town Planning Scheme. The Town planning Scheme is the statutory document that allows development to be endorsed and is an important tool for our Council in determining applications across our entire Shire. The community will be encouraged to have input into this in the coming months to help guide the

consultants who are constructing this important new strategy. If you have any comments or constructive advice that can help in formulating this document, please pass these on.

Our wonderful Library has recently turned thirty years old. This important resource for our community has been a wonderful source of education and entertainment for our residents and has been blessed with some very capable and committed librarians over the years. The library is our bank of knowledge and literature as well as many other services including audio books, research information and games. It also hosts story telling sessions and has always fostered an inclusive and embracing culture for those willing to learn. Congratulations to all the people who have helped create this true community asset.

A quick reminder to get out and about this Spring to all the fantastic events that are being organised. There truly is something for everyone. Please look at our Shire website for more information on where and when these are happening. Look forward to seeing you there.



Nominate now

If you know someone, or a group, doing great things in our community, nominate them for a 2023 Australia Day Award, in our four categories.

- Citizen of the Year
- Youth Citizen of the Year
- Senior Citizen of the Year
- Active Citizenship (Group or Event)

citizenshipawards.com.au Closing Date: 31 October 2022

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By signing up, you can now receive Rate Notices, Instalment Notices, Final Notices, and any other important information relating to your rates and property in the Shire of Waroona directly to your email.

For more information or to register please visit www.erateswa.com/Waroona/ or visit the Shire of Waroona website and Facebook Page.

Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015

Initiation of Local Planning Policy 13 – Waroona Town Centre Development Requirements

Council has resolved to initiate the above policy. This policy will apply to development within the Waroona town centre. The purpose of the policy is to provide a set of development requirements for commercially zone land to ensure that redevelopment or new development achieves a high standard and enhances visual quality along the town's primary streets.

A copy is available for inspection at the Shire of Waroona Administration Office, 52 Hesse Street, Waroona. Alternatively, the policy can be viewed online at www.waroona.wa.gov.au by following the following links: Community → Current Consultation.

You are invited to review the policy and make a written submission. Submissions can be made via:

- Email warshire@waroona.wa.gov.au
- Post PO Box 20, Waroona WA 6210
- Dropping it off in person 52 Hesse Street, Waroona

Submissions close **18 October 2022**. For any enquiries, please contact Rhys Bloxsidge, Senior Infrastructure and Development Officer, on 9733 7800.

Mark Goodlet
Chief Executive Officer



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Initiation of Local Planning Policy 12 – Domestic Outbuildings in Rural Lifestyle and Peri-Urban Areas

Council has resolved to initiate the above policy. This policy will apply to domestic outbuildings in the Shire's rural lifestyle and peri-urban zones. The purpose of the policy is to make reasonable provision for the development of domestic outbuildings in the Shire's rural lifestyle and peri-urban zones whilst ensuring the amenity and environmental quality of these areas is not compromised.

A copy is available for inspection at the Shire of Waroona Administration Office, 52 Hesse Street, Waroona. Alternatively, the policy can be viewed online at www.waroona.wa.gov.au by following the following links: Community → Community Engagement → Current Consultation.

You are invited to review the policy and make a written submission. Submissions can be made via:

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WAROONA TROUTFEST 2022

Join the annual trout release at Drakesbrook Weir



Saturday 15 October
10am - 1pm
Drakesbrook Weir
Weir Road,
Waroona

Waroona Troutfest 2022

is a free event and fun for the whole family

- Free Recfishwest fishing clinic
- Kids casting competition with Chas Riegert
- Fantastic fishing stalls & info stands
- Fly fishing demos with WA Trout & Freshwater Angling Association
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Next Council Meeting

Next council meeting will be 27 September 2022 at 4pm at the Waroona Council Chamber

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