

SHIRE PRESIDENT'S REPORT



The annual budget adoption is always an important part of the year. Significant time and effort from our corporate team and staff progressed the budget over the past few months to enable council to understand which areas in our local government will be supported in funding this year and what can be expected in income.

Part of this for council is always the delivery of services that our community expect. This includes the usual road construction and maintenance allocation and the improvements to streetscapes including footpaths and drainage. Recreational areas for sport and play, waste collection through to emergency management and community development all have allocations in the budget. Making all requests and demands fit into available funding is an interesting journey and council is always mindful of living within its means. The beginning of this financial year will see some services previously supplied under contract return to councils own delivery which will enable our officers to fine tune those areas further.

Recent proposed changes to our federal election boundaries may see our shire moving into the federal seat of Forrest. This proposed redistribution was also put forward before that last election before being withdrawn. Council has submitted an objection again noting our alignment with the Peel region and currently the federal seat of Canning largely covers most of the Peel. The objections were heard at a public hearing last week and in time we will learn if we will be represented by the new member of Forrest with Nola Mariano's retirement or staying in the seat of Canning.

Tree planting has commenced in some areas around town thanks to funding through the WALGA urban planting fund. This programme is designed to help increase green areas in urban spaces to increase shade in an effort help with cooling and provide habitat. This is a timely grant given the amount of loss we have experienced with the particularly hot and dry summer we had this year. The other ominous issue currently facing the state is the Polyphagous shot hole borer that is decimating areas of our capital city currently. This introduced pest was first noticed in Perth in 2021 and has since spread to various metropolitan areas. A quarantine area has been established but it is important to report suspicious entry holes in trunks or branches. DPIRD can be reached on their pest hotline at 1800 084 881. Further info can be found at <https://www.agriculture.wa.gov.au/borer>.

The 7th of September will see our annual Troutfest held at the Drakesbrook Weir. This is always a great free day and a very family friendly event that is interactive and educational on all aspects of fresh water fishing. This year will be a little more special with the official opening of the new nature based playground at the weir. The Shire of Waroona has experienced great support from Recfishwest over the years with Alcoa, DPIRD, Healthway, Fishability and Act, Belong Commit all partnering to help provide this great event. Hope to see you there.

Cr Mike Walmsley, Shire President

DRAKESBROOK WEIR UPGRADES OFFICIAL OPENING

Recent improvements at Drakesbrook Weir are to be officially opened at the Waroona Troutfest on Saturday 7 September 2024.

The improvements, which include an expanded grassed area, upgrades to the parking areas, Noongar artworks adorning the previously upgraded toilet block and barbeques, and landscaping elements, have been made possible as part of the Peel Regional Trails State Government election funding commitment. Included in the upgrades is also a new nature playground that has already proven to be a hit with local families, and those visiting the area. The final addition to the playground, a giant marron featuring two slides, is due to be installed within the coming weeks.

Join us from 9am at the annual Troutfest, with the official proceedings taking place at 10am. There will be plenty of activities for the whole family to enjoy!

For more details on the event, visit www.waroona.wa.gov.au/events.



NEW CITIZENS



Welcome to our newest Shire of Waroona citizens Penelope Rogerson; Derek Wilson, Samid Wilson Lopez and Grease Lopez Murcia with Shire President Mike Walmsley.

RECEIVE YOUR RATES ELECTRONICALLY

You can now register with the Shire of Waroona to receive your Rate Notices via email. This not only reduces the use of paper significantly but ensures you never miss a bill again!

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.



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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

PLANT OPERATOR / LABOURER

The Shire of Waroona is located in the Peel Region and offers residents an enviable small town country lifestyle featuring the forests of the scarp and Preston beach on the coast, not far from the major centres of Mandurah to the north and Bunbury to the south.

The Shire of Waroona is seeking to appoint a Plant Operator / Labourer with a current HR driver's licence to assist in delivering the Shire's road, drainage, construction and maintenance programs.

Work Type: Full time (9 day fortnight)
Applications Close: Friday 4pm 16th August 2024
Level: Level 3 to 5 - Shire of Waroona Enterprise Agreement 2022
The position will be a full-time position working a nine-day fortnight based at the Shire of Waroona Depot facility.

Salary and conditions will be in accordance with the Shire of Waroona Enterprise Agreement 2022 to be negotiated according to experience and qualifications.

To be considered for the position, applicants must submit a covering letter, resume and address the selection criteria as per the instructions in the application package which may be obtained by visiting the Shire website www.waroona.wa.gov.au.

For further information regarding this position, please contact Manager Works & Waste Services, Brad Oborn, on 0428 103 720.

Applications should be clearly endorsed "Private and Confidential – Vacancy – Plant Operator/Labourer" and close with the undersigned 4.00pm Friday 16th August 2024.

The Shire of Waroona is an equal opportunity employer. We celebrate diversity and are committed to creating an inclusive environment for all employees.

WHATS ON

Festival of Small Halls

Join us for an unforgettable night of music on Saturday 24 August at Waroona Memorial Hall when Festival of Small Halls visits Waroona.

Local vocalist Cinty-Anne Dwyer will be opening for international artist Jed Parsons, and Australian performer Alana Wilkinson.

Doors open at 6.30pm with the show beginning at 7pm.
The Waroona Lions Club will be offering burgers, snacks and drinks from 5.30pm so don't forget some cash!

Tickets for this event are only \$20, visit festivalofsmallhalls.com/waroona-2024 to secure yours.

Festival of Small Halls is proudly brought to you by the Shire of Waroona and Woodfordia Inc.



Ebb+Flow comes to Waroona!

During August and September, the Shire of Waroona will be hosting the Act Belong Commit Ebb+Flow Exhibition. The artwork, created by artists in collaboration with community in each region of Western Australia, explores how changes in our personal lives and regional communities are often temporary. That there are periods of decline and growth, drought and rain, hardship and prosperity...that factors outside of our control ebb+flow.

Peel artist Deidre Robb, who's artwork 'Stitches in Time' features in the exhibition, will be hosting a series of school, and community workshops to create a new piece of artwork with the theme 'I love this place'. The community workshops, open to all to attend, will be held on 12 August at Waroona Community Resource Centre, 22 August at Preston Beach Community Hall and 3 September at Waroona Arts and Craft Centre.

The Ebb+Flow Exhibition will be open to the public in Waroona Memorial Hall from 28 August through to 26 September. Entry is free, with opening hours from Wednesday to Friday 10am to 4pm and Saturdays 10am to 2pm.

The Ebb+Flow tour to Waroona is a collaboration between the Shire of Waroona, North Midlands Project and the Regional Arts Network,

proudly partnering with Healthway and Regional Arts WA to promote the Act Belong Commit message.

For further information on any of the workshops or the exhibition, please contact the Shire, (08) 9733 7800.



PUBLIC NOTICES

Initiation and adoption of Local Planning Policies

Council has resolved to initiate and adopt several Local Planning Policies (LPP), including:

- Initiating:
 - LPP 8 – Shed-style dwellings; and
 - LPP 9 – Extractive industries.

- Adopting:
 - LPP 1 – Retaining walls;
 - LPP 2 – Signage; and
 - LPP 7 – Short-term accommodation.

The purpose of each policy is summarised below:

- LPP 1 Sets design standards for retaining walls.
- LPP 2 Provides exemptions and development standards for signage.
- LPP 7 Stipulates requirements for short-stay accommodation.
- LPP 8 Outlines requirements and prohibitions for the conversion of sheds into dwellings.
- LPP 9 Establishes objectives and provisions for the design and operation of extractive industries.

These policies are available for inspection at the Shire of Waroona Administration Office, 52 Hesse Street, Waroona. Alternatively, they can be viewed online at www.waroona.wa.gov.au

The public is invited make a submission on LPP 8 and 9. Should you wish to make a submission, please ensure it is received by 10 September 2024. A submission can be lodged by the following methods:

Email: elplanning@waroona.wa.gov.au
Post: PO Box 20, Waroona WA 6215
Delivery to Shire office: 52 Hesse Street, Waroona

Enquiries can be directed to Craig Zanotti, Coordinator Regulatory & Development Services, on 9733 7800 or via email at elplanning@waroona.wa.gov.au.

Local Government Act 1995

Bush Fires Act 1954

Shire of Waroona

Bush Fire Brigades Local Law 2024

The Shire of Waroona has resolved to make the Shire of Waroona Bush Fire Brigades Local Law 2024.

The purpose of this local law generally is to establish and maintain bush fire brigades and enable the bush fire brigades to carry out normal brigade activities under the Bush Fires Act 1954, its Regulations and the Waroona Bush Fire Brigades Local Law.

The effect of this local law is to:

- equip each bush fire brigade so established with appliances, equipment and apparatus;
- provide for the appointment or election of a captain, a first lieutenant, a second lieutenant, and such additional lieutenants as may be necessary as officers of the bush fire brigade and prescribe their respective duties;
- provide for the appointment, employment, payment, dismissal and duties of bush fire control officers;
- provide for the organisation, establishment, maintenance and equipment with appliances and apparatus of bush fire brigades to be established and maintained by the local government; and
- provide for any other matters affecting the exercise of any powers or authorities conferred and the performance of any duties imposed upon the local government by the Bush Fires Act 1954;

A copy of the local law may be inspected at or obtained from the Shire's Administration Office at 52 Hesse Street, Waroona, between 9.00am and 4.00pm Monday to Friday. A copy is also on the Shire's website www.waroona.wa.gov.au

The local law was published in the Government Gazette on Tuesday 6 August 2024 and will come into operation Tuesday 20 August 2024.

Tender

Tenders closing at 2:00pm on Tuesday 27 August 202 are invited for the following:

202425-01 SUPPLY OF BITUMEN SEALS AND ASPHALT

Tender documents are available by contacting Mrs Rikki Pulfer on (08) 9733 7821 or by email on techofficer@waroona.wa.gov.au or alternatively they can be downloaded from the Shire website www.waroona.wa.gov.au

Enquiries regarding these tenders should be directed to Brad Oborn, Manager Works and Waste Services on 0428 103 720.

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted. Canvassing of Councillors will disqualify. Late tenders or email and facsimile tenders will not be accepted.

Prospective tenderers are advised that the Shire will not be submitting tenders in this instance.

Mark Goodlett
Chief Executive Officer

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