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For the Ordinary Council Meeting
held on Thursday 20th June 2019

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May, June, July 2019

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Thursday 9 th May	Office of Auditor General, Butler Settineri Audit intro meeting	Westonia	CEO, President, Deputy President, Cr Geier
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Tuesday 14 th May	Interim Audit	Westonia	Admin Staff
Wednesday 15 th May	Bowls WA – Clive Adams	Westonia	CEO
Thursday 23 rd May	Council Meeting	Westonia	CEO, Councillors
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Wednesday 29 th May	WEROC Executive	Merredin	CEO
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Thursday 20 th June	DEMC - DFES	Merredin	CEO, CBFCO
Thursday 20 th June	Council Meeting	Westonia	CEO, Councillors
Wednesday 26 th June	WEROC	Kellerberrin	CEO, President
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Thursday 4 th July – Friday 2 nd August	CEO Long Service Leave	Darwin	CEO
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Thursday 18 th July	Council Meeting	Westonia	CEO, Councillors
Wednesday 24 th July	WEROC Executive	Westonia	CEO

Dear Stakeholder

***PUBLIC RELEASE OF POSITION STATEMENT FOR HOUSING ON
LOTS LESS THAN 100M²***

The Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage (DPLH) wishes to advise that the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC) Position Statement: *Housing on Lots less than 100m²* has been finalised.

The Position Statement provides guidance on the location and development of houses on lots less than 100m² and an implementation mechanism to ensure consistent application across the State. The Position Statement incorporates changes in response to submissions received during public consultation. The final WAPC-approved Position Statement is now available on the DPLH website at <https://www.dplh.wa.gov.au/position-statements>.

Yours sincerely



Ms Sam Fagan
Secretary
Western Australian Planning Commission
4 June 2019



Department of **Planning,
Lands and Heritage**



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Western Australia.*

Position Statement:

Housing on lots less than 100m²

June 2019

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1. Purpose

This document provides interim guidance for subdivision and house design on lots less than 100m², on land where a structure plan is required and to ensure consistent application and implementation throughout Western Australia.

Planning Reform, Design WA, Liveable Neighbourhoods, METRONET and other policy reviews will consider broader application of this development type, particularly within existing residential areas and transit precincts.

2. Background

House and land products on lots less than 100m² have been selectively developed in the eastern states, in both new (greenfield) and existing (infill) residential areas. This is seen as a way to meet different housing needs, to assist in providing for housing affordability, create dwelling diversity and facilitate 'downsizing' opportunities.

Interest in providing housing on lots less than 100m² in Western Australia is increasing.

A working group of key government, development and building industry stakeholders developed criteria and standards for consideration and adoption by the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC).

3. Single houses on lots less than 100m²

Housing on lots less than 100m² needs to be integrated with the streetscape and surrounding development but must not be the predominant housing type in a street. Its location and development needs to be undertaken as part of comprehensive planning carried out for new urban areas and redevelopment of existing urban areas through structure plans or activity centre plans.

In considering any structure plans or activity centre plans that include lots less than 100m², the assessment will examine if green title is the best and highest use of the land or if other land tenure options would be more appropriate; if the location has infrastructure, amenities and services that can support housing at this higher density; and that the proposal is consistent with the orderly and proper planning of the area.

The criteria outlined in **Appendices 1** and **2** are intended to ensure that lots less than 100m² are located appropriately and provide for diversity and affordability in housing, on land where a structure plan is required.

4. Implementation

The location of housing on lots less than 100m² is limited to land where a structure plan or activity centre plan is required and does not apply to existing residential lots. All locational, siting and configuration criteria outlined in **Appendix 1** must be met and an R80 density code applied. The structure plan report will outline that the area being developed for housing on lots less than 100m² can be subdivided to create minimum 80m² lot sizes and a local development plan (LDP) be prepared and finalised prior to subdivision approval.

Where the structure plan includes a residential density code range or band, the structure plan will identify that a residential density code plan (R-Code plan) is to be approved by the WAPC prior to the consideration of any subdivision. This residential density plan will need to specify the area which is to be developed (with a density code of R80, a minimum lot size of 80m² and no average lot size requirement).

The structure plan will need to demonstrate that lots less than 100m² will be integrated within the wider development area and there will be a continuous activated street frontage able to accommodate on-street visitor parking, street trees, shared use paths/footpaths, refuse collection, water management

and utility services (in accordance with local planning scheme and Liveable Neighbourhoods requirements, as applicable).

The LDP is to address and be consistent with the design principles outlined in State Planning Policy 7.0 Design of the Built Environment and must detail built form, site coverage, indicative floor and elevation plans, water management, car parking, pedestrian access, refuse collection, storage and landscaping details and any other development aspects required to address the standards outlined in **Appendix 2**. The procedure to prepare, publicly advertise and determine local development plans is outlined in the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015 (Schedule 2, Part 6). The LDP must outline development standards broadly consistent with **Appendix 2**, and where inconsistent, referral to WAPC for approval is required under R-Codes Clause 7.3.2. The LDP must clearly outline all applicable standard and non-standard/varied R-Codes development standards. A LDP is not required to be endorsed by the WAPC where it has previously endorsed a structure plan or activity centre plan that incorporates housing on lots less than 100m².

5. Review and future R-Codes amendment

The WAPC will monitor and review the implementation of housing on lots less than 100m², with a view to including them in the R-Codes.

6. Further information

Enquiries or correspondence should be sent by email to info@dplh.wa.gov.au or by post to:

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Perth, WA, 6001

Please quote reference DP/15/00045/1
This Position Statement is published at:
www.dplh.wa.gov.au

Appendix 1

Criteria for lots less than 100m²

The following criteria provide guidance for the consideration and determination of integrated subdivision and development of housing on lots less than 100m².

All proposals must be considered on individual merit, having due regard to the criteria surrounding centres, however may also apply to non-centres, including transit or other similar precincts.

Locational criteria:

- applies to land in areas that have approved structure plans in place or the zoning and provisions in a scheme requires a structure plan to be approved prior to subdivision or development occurring
- to be selectively used as an integrating housing type to transition between higher density (urban/multi-storey commercial, mixed use and apartment development) and low density (suburban/single and two-storey single house and grouped dwelling development) residential areas
- not to be the only or predominate lot and development type in any street block
- to be located between 400 metres and 800 metres, using the walkable catchment technique (refer Liveable Neighbourhoods), of the lot boundary of the core or largest commercial land holding in any existing or proposed secondary or district centres (not within 200 metres of the activity centre or within the activity centre itself – refer figure A)
- to be located within 200 metres or 400 metres, using the walkable catchment technique (refer Liveable Neighbourhoods), of the lot boundary of the core or largest commercial land holding in any existing or proposed local and neighbourhood centre respectively (refer figure B)
- to be located within 150 metres, using the walkable catchment technique (refer Liveable Neighbourhoods), of local or neighbourhood public open space (as defined in Liveable Neighbourhoods), preferably fronting or otherwise overlooking public open space
- not located within 800 metres of the lot boundary of the core or largest commercial landholding in any strategic metropolitan centre.

Siting and configuration:

- fronts wide access streets (refer Liveable Neighbourhoods). The street must accommodate and maximise on street parking for visitors (preferably on both sides of the street), street trees and a minimum 1.5 metre-wide pedestrian footpath
- located and occupies street corner sites or an entire street block end, including any laneway
- a minimum number of two dwellings constructed concurrently within any single development
- minimum two (Category B) and maximum three-storey (Category C) building height (refer R-Codes Table 3 – Maximum building heights).

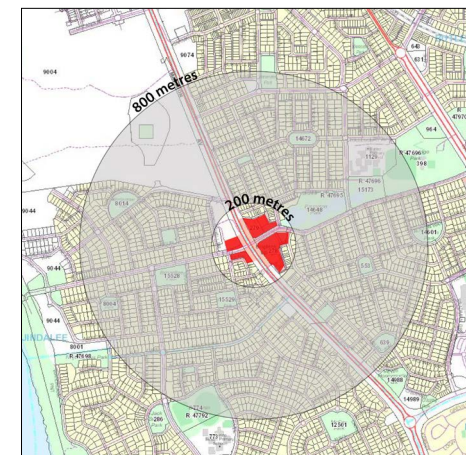


Figure A: Location in relation to a secondary and district centre

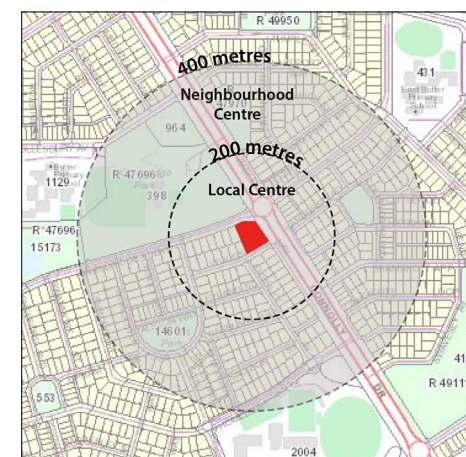


Figure B: Location in relation to a local and neighbourhood centre

Appendix 2

Single house development standards for lots less than 100m²

Typical lot dimension and size	Street setback and front fences	Lot boundary setbacks and boundary walls	Outdoor living area	Garage setback and width, vehicular access and storage	Parking	Overshadowing	Privacy
	house on lot <100m ²	house on lot <100m ²	house on lot <100m ²	house on lot <100m ²	house on lot <100m ²	house on lot <100m ²	house on lot <100m ²
Rear load 5m x 16m – 80m ² Front load 8m x 10m – 80m ²	1m minimum, no average 1m minimum to secondary street Balcony - nil Laneways - nil Front fences within the primary street setback area being a maximum height of 900mm above natural ground level, measured from the primary street side of the front fence	Boundary setbacks Side – nil Rear - 1.5m for wall height 6m or less with major openings Rear - 1m for wall height 3.5 or less without major openings Boundary walls No maximum length to both side boundaries (except for corner lots with dual street frontage). Maximum 7m height (where 2 storey height proposed) Maximum 10m height (where 3 storey height proposed) Where adjoining other lots less than 100m ² , 60% maximum rear boundary length	An outdoor living area (OLA) comprising at least one balcony or roof deck with a minimum dimension of 2.4 metres and a minimum total combined area of 16m ² , directly accessible from a habitable room of the dwelling Balcony to face the street The OLA may be reduced to a minimum of 10m ² for single bedroom dwellings At least 35% of the OLA must be uncovered (excluding balconies) and includes areas under eaves which adjoin uncovered areas R-Codes minimum total % of site open space standards do not apply	Rear load Nil - provided laneway or street pavement at least 6m wide, otherwise 0.5m Front load 1.5m garage setback from the primary street and 1m from a secondary street Where feasible, shared vehicle crossover for every two front load dwellings No vehicular crossover wider than 3m where it meets the street and 4m where shared	Minimum one (1) One on-site bay per dwelling	No overshadowing provisions apply where adjoining single houses on lots less than 100m ² Where R-MD or R-Codes apply to adjoining land, the relevant R-MD or R-Codes overshadowing/solar access requirements for the adjoining land apply	No privacy provisions apply where adjoining single houses on lots less than 100m ² Where R-MD or R-Codes apply to adjoining land, the relevant R-MD or R-Codes privacy requirements for the adjoining land apply

Note: The primary and secondary street setback of 1 metre is applied as per the R80 code. All other development standards as per the R-Codes standards, with necessary adjustments to achieve a minimum two, maximum three storey 'terrace housing' built form outcome.

Regional Road Group Report

June 2019



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Visit the WALGA website for more information: www.walga.asn.au

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Roads

Report on Local Government Road Assets and Expenditure 2017/18

The Report on Local Government Assets and Expenditure 2017/18 was finalised. The report provides information on the lengths and types of roads, paths and bridges and highlights trends in the data over the preceding five years. It includes statistics and trends on the funding sources and amount of Local Government expenditure on roads, paths and bridges. Details are provided on the allocation of expenditure between expansion, upgrade, maintenance and renewal of the network at a regional level and for individual Local Governments.

The expenditure statistics are analysed to provide comparisons of road preservation performance, net preservation needs and expenditure effort. These comparisons provide insight into the adequacy of funding and the difference between road preservation needs and current expenditure on road preservation. For the first time, the report now includes a surface condition network rating for each region. Copies have been sent to all Local Governments and it is available for download from the WALGA website.

Methodology for Calculating the Cost of Road Wear on Unsealed Roads

In response to member requests, WALGA has worked closely with ARRB to develop a guide for calculating the cost of road wear on unsealed roads subject to a significant increase in heavy vehicle traffic. This builds on similar work completed for sealed roads and now adopted by many Councils.

The Guide provides Local Governments with a tool to estimate the cost of additional damage to unsealed roads resulting from a defined freight task. It can be used as the basis to negotiate cost recovery where a specific transport task is forecast to cause extraordinary damage to a road that was not designed and built for that purpose. Costs attributable to a defined scenario can be calculated by following a stepped process and inputting the vehicle type, number of trips, road length and gravel quality. Typical worked examples are provided in the Guide.

Copies of the Guide have been posted to all Local Governments and it is available for download from the WALGA website.

Review of the Restoration and Reinstatement Specification

The Specification was originally published in 2002 and IPWEA has endorsed a comprehensive review to be performed by a working group of industry experts. The working group comprises members from IWEA, WALGA, Local Government and Main Roads WA. The working group has met on several occasions and has decided to rewrite the specification which will be titled "Local Government Guidelines for Restoration and Reinstatement in Western Australia". This guideline will be a key supporting resource to a Model Policy Guideline for Managing Third Parties Working in the Road Reserve. Compilation of the document is well advanced and a draft will be circulated to all stakeholders for comment in coming months.

Proposed Changes to Main Roads WA Policy on Control of Heavy Vehicle Operations on Local Government Roads

It is Main Roads policy to consult with Local Governments before adding or amending a RAV route. Local Governments may propose an operating condition that requires the Operator to obtain written approval from the Road Owner. The approval letter must be carried in the vehicle and produced upon request. This is commonly referred to as a CA07 condition. It is Main Roads WA policy to apply this condition to all roads that are designated Type A or B Low Volume Roads. Records indicate that there are a 117 Local Governments that have roads with the CA07 condition.

Some Local Governments are charging transport operators a fee to obtain the letter of approval. Main Roads have advised WALGA that instructions have been received from the State Solicitors Office that Local Governments do not have the powers to charge transport operators to access a public road (note that the practice of establishing a maintenance agreement with a freight owner / generator in instances of an extraordinary transport task is a separate issue). Consequently they are proposing to abolish the condition.

WALGA has advised Main Roads that changes should only be considered once there is a proper understanding of the functioning of the current arrangements. Seventy Local Governments participated in the survey undertaken by the Association. Results indicate that the overwhelming majority of Local Governments are against withdrawal of the CA07 condition and that only a minority are charging transport operators. WALGA has subsequently advised Main Roads that the sector does not support withdrawal of the condition unless an acceptable alternative can be developed and that the issues can be resolved by advising Local Governments not to use the letter to charge transport operators and to establish consistent administrative practices regarding fees and letter formats. WALGA State Council endorsed this position in December and WALGA continues to consult with Main Roads to develop an acceptable solution. WALGA will consult with Local Governments and State Council before determining if any proposed solution is “acceptable”.

Development of a Model Policy Template for Works or Events in the Local Government Road Reserve

The requirement for notifications, approval and management of works and events in the road reserve is an important responsibility of Local Government. Currently these responsibilities are specified in different documents causing confusion for Local Governments, utility providers and contractors. Based on requests from Local Governments and utility providers, WALGA developed a policy guideline to assist Local Governments frame consistent and robust policy to govern works or events in the local road reserve by a Local Government. The sector provided feedback on the draft policy guideline, which prompted separation of the guideline into two documents - one document addressing works in the road reserve and the other addressing events in the road reserve. Refining both policy guidelines continues. State Council will consider the policy guidelines.

Funding

Wheatbelt Secondary Freight Routes

The State Government has announced \$10 million of funding for the Secondary Freight Routes project as a contribution to \$14 million required to match the \$70 million provided by the Federal Government in the May 2019 budget from the Roads of Strategic Importance Initiative. The funding has been committed over 10 years commencing in 2019/20. There is significant work still required to develop the governance arrangements to deliver this project.

Level 1 Bridge Inspections

The State Road Funds to Local Government Agreement states that WALGA and Main Roads WA will implement a framework during 2019 to monitor and support all Local Governments to fulfil the obligation of performing annual Level 1 bridge inspections.

In order to be eligible for Special Project funding from the State Road Funds to Local Government Agreement, Local Governments must be able to show that Level 1 inspections have been performed and that adequate routine and preventative maintenance have been undertaken to prevent undue deterioration.

WALGA has developed a draft framework that sets out the obligations of Local Governments and Main Roads and introduces timelines for completion and submission of inspections. The document also details potential financial and training support.

WALGA has met with Main Roads WA on several occasions to discuss progress of the framework. All Local Governments will be invited to provide comment on the framework in coming months.

State Road Funds to Local Government Procedures

The State Road Funds to Local Government Agreement 2018/19 to 2022/23 provides an opportunity to review the associated Procedures. The procedures identify the structures and processes that support the Agreement. WALGA is working with Main Roads WA to ensure the revised procedures meet the needs of the State Road Funds to Local Government Advisory Group and Regional Road Groups. Consultation with Regional Road Groups on proposed amendments to the procedures will occur.

Urban and Regional Transport

Revitalising Agricultural Region Freight Strategy

The State Government has released a draft strategy, Revitalising Agricultural Region Freight, for consultation. The consultation period closes on 12 July. This draft considers input provided by Local Governments in targeted and public engagement during 2018. The Association is evaluating the strategy from a sector perspective and seeking to support contributions from Local Governments and regions addressing the priority of specific investments proposed in local areas.

Road Safety

Road Safety Management System

The recently signed State Road Funds to Local Government Agreement 2018/19 to 2022/23 requires that WALGA, Main Roads WA and Regional Road Groups work towards establishing a Road Safety Management System to suit the needs of Local Government. It is proposed the system be used by all Local Governments to assess Black-Spot and other grant funded projects. WALGA and Main Roads WA surveyed the member Local Governments of the South West Regional Road Group to inform components of a Road Safety Management System and identify information and process gaps. WALGA continues to work with Main Roads WA on system requirements and parameters based on the guidance provided by Local Governments in the South West Region.

Road Safety Council Update

The current focus of the Road Safety Council is on preparing and developing recommendations to the Minister for the next road safety strategy. Community and stakeholder consultation is expected to commence in the coming weeks. Other matters given consideration at the Road Safety Council meeting in April included the following topics: applications and guidelines for developer contributions to road safety at intersections, regulations for motorcycle lane filtering, the publication of mobile speed camera locations, and the results of the metropolitan and regional speed monitoring surveys.

RoadWise Road Safety Newsletter

The April and May 2019 editions of the *RoadWise Road Safety Newsletter* can be accessed electronically at <http://roadwise.asn.au/roadwise-road-safety-newsletter.aspx>.

New subscribers can register to receive the newsletter directly through the following link: <http://eepurl.com/PHFsr>.

The newsletter is currently distributed to more than 1800 members of the community road safety network in Western Australia. Readership of the newsletter is estimated to be significantly higher than distribution.

WALGA RoadWise Facebook page

With more than 300 followers the WALGA RoadWise Facebook page is designed to help promote the community road safety network's road safety initiatives, enable the network to interact more, raise community awareness of road safety and promote RoadWise campaigns and projects. The WALGA RoadWise Facebook page can be found at <https://www.facebook.com/WALGARoadWise/>.

Operational Fleet Project

Delivering a Fit for Purpose Fleet Together



UPDATE | June 2019

What has been happening?

- General Rescue Utility PAT has been assisting with the evaluation activities.
- A number of PATs continue to assist with equipment list development across a number of streams.
- Following a number of deliveries of the new 3.4 Urban Tanker, we met with Roleystone Brigade and Fleet & Equipment Services to find out how the experience of end user involvement has helped and what it's like to have a new 3.4 in the field. Video to follow shortly.
- We are reviewing a number of vehicle concepts, including Road Crash Rescue (RCR) and Bulk Water Carrier (BWC), to appropriately inform the vehicle design.

What is next?

- Project Reference Group meets early June to endorse RCR & BWC concepts and a new equipment assemblies' concept.
- Project Board meets mid-June. In addition to acceptance of vehicle concepts above, the Board will be asked to approve some important Fleet name changes.
- PAT Chairs 'team site' will be launched mid to late June.
- Key business areas will meet this month to discuss and agree ownership and responsibilities regarding the Operational Fleet Design & Delivery Model activities. Following this we will be focussing on understanding the impacts to these key areas, to support transition from the project to the business.

What's next for our priority fleet?

- General Rescue Utility (GRU): Technical negotiations in progress, which will be followed by commencing First of Type build.
- CAPA: Tender request has been issued to the market. Tender responses expected in July.
- Light Tanker: Still under Tender Evaluation, with PAT members being included as observers.
- 1.4 Tanker: PAT to convene 6th June to review the concept.
- Road Crash Rescue Tender: Technical negotiations are being finalised in readiness for First of Type build.
- General Rescue Truck: Technical negotiations are being finalised in readiness for First of Type build.
- 2.4 Broadacre Tanker: First of type build is progressing.
- 4.4 Broadacre Tanker: Under evaluation.
- Flood Rescue Boat: Still under evaluation. PAT will kick off shortly.
- Country and Urban Pumpers: Both are now in build. Country Pumper is expected by September this year. Urban Pumper is still a few months away due to chassis supply lead times.
- HAZMAT Structural Rescue & Bulk Water Carrier: First of Type builds will be complete in June.



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For further details or feedback on this update, please contact the project team OperationalFleetProject@dfes.wa.gov.au or visit us at the [DFES Intranet](#) or the [Volunteer Portal](#).

DFES
Department of Fire & Emergency Services

Operational Fleet Project

Delivering a Fit for Purpose Fleet Together



June Highlight

Recent recipients of the new 3.4 Urban Tankers are excited with their new trucks. We're delighted to share these social media posts.

A big thank you to everyone, including the 3.4 Urban Tanker PAT and Fleet & Equipment Services, who has been involved in the design and build.



Roleystone takes the 3.4 out



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OUTWARD CORRESPONDENCE

May/June 2019

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| 1. | <u>DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITIES</u>
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| 2. | <u>ROSS'S AUCTIONS</u>
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Pallet Racking Pick-up | ES1.6.2 |
| 3. | <u>ANJA FEICHE</u>
RE: CASUAL EMPLOYMENT
Casual | ST1.1.1 |
| 4. | <u>KATHY PAUST</u>
RE: CASUAL EMPLOYMENT
Casual | ST1.1.1 |
| 5. | <u>PHIL READ</u>
RE: CASUAL EMPLOYMENT
Casual | ST1.1.1 |
| 6. | <u>KAY GEIER</u>
RE: CHANGE IN EMPLOYMENT
Office Restructure | ST1.1.1 |
| 7. | <u>ISOBEL HAGE</u>
RE:CEACA HOUSING
Interest on Independent Living Units | HS1.1.4 |



Council Outstanding Resolutions Status Report

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MEETING	ITEM/RESOLUTION	ACTION REQUIRED	RESPONSE	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	TIME FRAME
October 2018	12/10-18	WATER CORPORATION PRICING POLICY – COUNCIL OWNED STANDPIPES	That Council 1. Discusses any public submissions received from the community; 2. Seeks an extension of time to respond to the Water Corporations Action Plan for Council Controlled Standpipes; 3. Request the Chief Executive Officer to attend the Rural Water Council meeting in Northam on Friday 19th October to raise Council's issues with the new fee structure; 4. Reaffirm September motion to write to the WA Water Corporation opposing their proposed fee structure in remote parts of the eastern wheatbelt; 5. Reaffirm September motion to write to the Department of Water and suggest that as a result of the increased Standpipe water costs that they re-introduce the Farm Water Grants to allow effected landholders the ability to create on-farm water storage and water connections;	CEO	June 19



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Feb 2019	05/02-19	CEO – JP Nomination	Application submitted in Feb 2019, Approved by Hon Mia Davies, awaiting approval from the Attorney Generals Office. CEO's Application approved past first stage, invited to submit full application to Attorney Generals Office.	CEO	Dec 19
July 2018	12/07-18	Standpipe Controller	That Council agree to install two (2) two solar powered standpipe controllers in Carrabin and Walgoolan, with Council transferring the \$20k from the Trust account (George Road Water Extension) and contributes the difference of approximately \$12k from Municipal Funds to complete the two stand pipes Council investigating alternative, cheaper solutions	CEO, WS	Dec 18
Sept 2018	10/09-18	WATER CORPORATION PRICING POLICY – COUNCIL OWNED STANDPIPES	That Council 1. Write to the WA Water Corporation opposing their proposed fee structure; 2. Write to the Department of Water and suggest that as a result of the increased Standpipe water costs that they re-introduce the Farm Water Grants to allow effected landholders the ability to create on-farm water storage and water connections; 3. Inform all ratepayers/farmers of the proposed changes to the WA Water Corporations fee structure and seek comment on the Shire proposed rationalisations by 15th October 2018. Issue raised with WALGA to be taken to Minister level	CEO	Nov 2018



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Dec 2017	10/12-17	Warrachuppin Road Realignment	<p>That Council</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Welcomes Ramelius Resources proposal to commence operations with the Greenfinch project in the mid to later stages of 2018. 2. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to instigate the process for a resumption of land under the Land Administration Act in Reserve 14983. 3. Authorises expenditure to the Chief Executive Officer to commence the survey of the proposed road reserve, possible relocation of utility services (Telstra, Water) and possible new road design (if required) to enable a cost to be provided to Ramelius Resources for comment. <p>Council have engaged the services of RoadsWest engineering to draw up plans and road design. Land resumption process has been commenced, waiting on Ministers desk. Delays in environmental approval. Approval DENIED from State Govt, Modified clearing application to be submitted by Ramelius to State Government.</p>	CEO	Dec 19



Council Outstanding Resolutions Status Report

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MEETING	ITEM/RESOLUTION	ACTION REQUIRED	RESPONSE	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	TIME FRAME
Sept 2017	10/09-17	Westonia Airstrip	That Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate a fair price for the two areas of land to incorporate into the Westonia Airstrip and report back to Council at the October meeting. Offer and Paperwork to be discussed and finalized. The CEO has recently held discussions with Paul Sawyer of AD Astral Aviation in relation to some substantial development & improvements to the Westonia Airstrip to allow commercial flights in and out of Westonia. Waiting on response from Ramelius Resources. Additional discussion held with Ramelius regarding airstrip	CEO	July 19
Apr 2017	17/04-17	Town Planning Scheme	Currently seeking input from town planners in relation to low cost solution Held discussions with Dept of Planning – there are willing to assist, spoke with Planner in Kellerberrin who is willing to assist. Result – reduced cost plan. Dept of Planning attended June Meeting to discuss TPS with work to commence in 2018/19. Planning Commission met with Council in March 2019 with partially completed TPS & Strategies for review by Council.	CEO	Dec 19
Apr 2017	16/04-17	Westonia Airstrip	Currently investigating, coincide with Kaolin St Renaming.	CEO	July 19
Apr 2017	15/04-17	Renaming of Egg Rock Road & Kaolin Street	Currently seeking input from families prior to advertising as per requirements	CEO	July 19



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Mar 2017	13/03-17	Review of Integrated Planning Suite	Awaiting commencement date for Integrated Planning Suite review. Review undertaken from April 2018, presentation in Dec 2018. Community Strategic Plan due for adoption in April 2019. Commence Workforce Plan in April 2019.	CEO	Ongoing
Oct 16	10/10-16	Adopted sea container policy formulated by the Chief Executive Officer on the provision of sea containers in the Westonia Townsite.	CEO awaiting advise from new Health/Building Surveyor in relation to extent of paperwork required in submitting “Building Application” for approval. Local Planning Policies via Town Planning Scheme to address issue. TPS due for adoption in December 2019.	CEO/Building	Dec 19

WORK SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

1. PLANT REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE

The following repairs and maintenance were carried out since the last meeting.

- JD Loader – 250Hr (major 1000Hr) service. Repair air seat.
- Toyota Prado – 10,000km service.
- Float – Check and grease up of brakes and hubs.
- Freightliner Truck – 15,000Km service. Diagnose fuel problem.
- Road Train Trailers – Check and grease up of brakes and hubs. Replace 4 x tyres.

2. CAPITAL ROAD WORKS

- Commenced gravel carting and road formation Daddow Road.
- Gravel sheet 4km section of Echo Valley Road.

3. GENERAL ROAD MAINTENANCE

- Winter grading of sections of Maxfield, Warrachuppin, Logan, Strahan and Boodarockin Roads. (refer attached map).
- Drains and Batters Clothier Road.
- Summer grade South Walgoolan (south section) haulage route Warrakirri.
- Cart rocks to Daddow Road Floodway for batter protection.

4. PRIVATE WORKS

- Grader Hire G Johnston.
- 2 x bucket loads cracker dust G Tapp.
- 2 x canter loads aggregate S Norman.

5. TOWN MAINTENANCE

- Cut firewood for grannies.
- Install drainage pipe to laneway adjacent Council Depot.
- Painting of bollards and pine barriers around town.
- Prepare areas for synthetic turf and general clean-up of cemetery.

6. OTHER.

- Relocate shelving from and museum articles to new storeroom and storage areas.
- Gravel push-up at McDowall Pit in preparation for gravel re-sheeting project on Daddow.
- Trip to Perth with Kevin Paust to inspect semi water tanker at auction and purchase a used gardeners ute from wholesaler.
- Trip to Perth to pick up pallet racking and Synthetic Grass for Cemetery project.
- Depot clean up. Fabrication of workshop racking.
- Service golf cart and mower. Install footing for sign wall Golf Club.
- Remove steel frame from Sand Filtration Box and install walking safety platform at swimming pool.
- Install barriers and general clean-up Carrabin Information and Truck Bay.
- Cart 2 x roadtrain loads of scalps/cracker dust from Doodlakine Quarry for stock.

7. PLANT HOURS

The following is a list of plant and vehicle kilometre and hour readings for the period ending 1.6.19

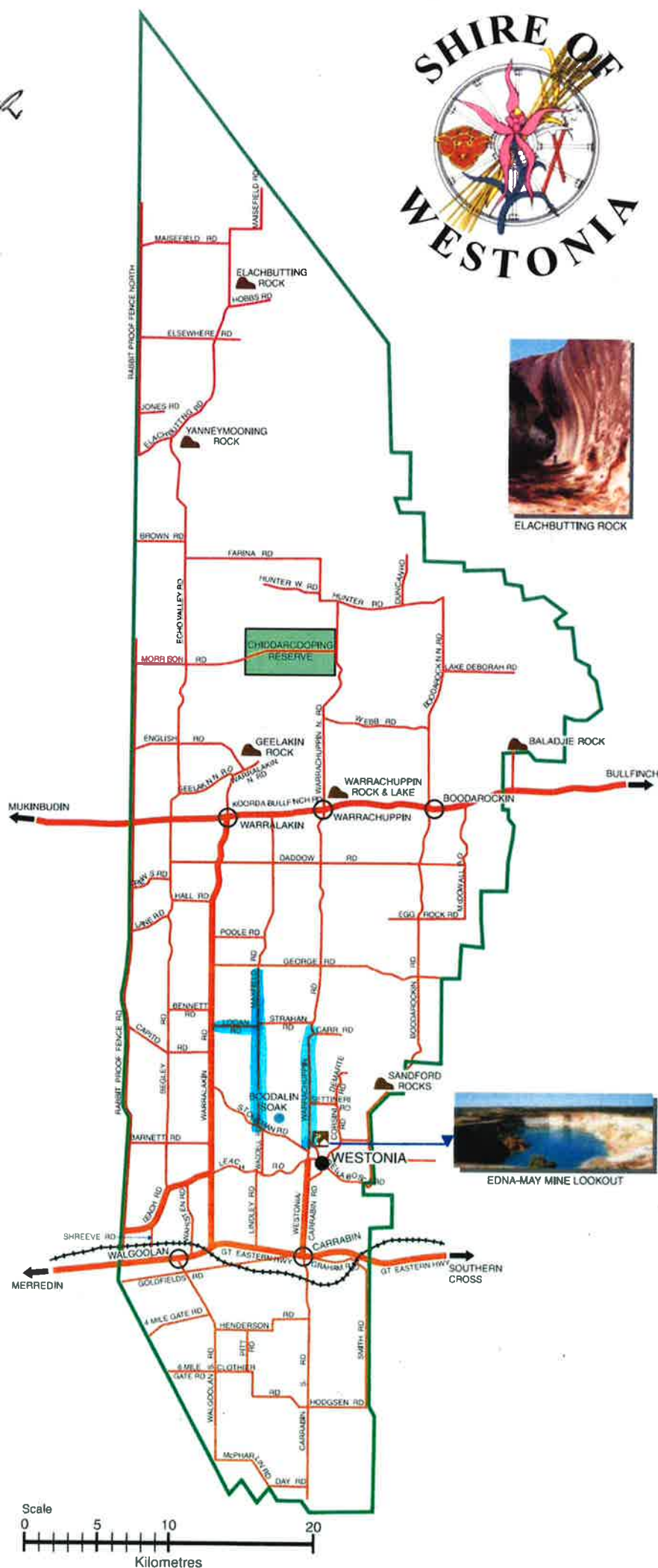
Item		1.5.19	1.6.19
P1	JOHN DEERE 770G GRADER	6,328hrs	6,385hrs
P2	CAT 12M	2,901hrs	2,996hrs
P3	PRIME MOVER (IVECO)	199,095kms	202,985kms
P4	ROAD TRAIN (FREIGHTLINER)	98,668kms	101,224kms
P5	JOHN DEERE LOADER	1,075hrs	1,150hrs
P6	MULTI PAC	8,307hrs	8,307hrs
P7	MINI-EXCAVATOR	317hrs	328hrs
P8	TELEHANDLER JCB	1,078hrs	1,122hrs
P9	TOYOTA (MTCE UTE)	17,315kms	18,700kms
P10	MITSUBISHI CANTER	31,788kms	32,567kms
P11	TOYOTA HILUX (GARDENER) WT 35	50,734kms	51,789kms
P12	JOHN DEERE (5100)	1,866hrs	1,866hrs
P14	TOYOTA LANDCRUISER GXL (CEO)	0kms	988kms
P15	TOYOTA PRADO GXL (W/SUPER)	7,952kms	11,991kms
P16	TOYOTA RAV4 (ADMIN)	49,198kms	52,356kms
P17	TOYOTA HILUX DUAL CAB	27,403kms	31,411kms
P19	FAST ATTACK	5,688kms	5,750kms
P20	FIRE TRUCK	4,486kms	4,486kms
P18	WESSY BUS	104,209kms	106,111kms
P21	DYNAPAC FLAT DRUM	1,174hrs	1,208hrs
P22	RAMSEY RIDE ON MOWER (OVAL)	148hrs	151hrs
P23	TOYOTA MINI BUS (WT COM V)	14,444kms	14,742kms
P24	HAMM ROLLER	1,044hrs	1,129hrs



ELACHBUTTING ROCK



EDNA-MAY MINE LOOKOUT



TOURISM REPORT

WESTONIA SHIRE CARAVAN PARK:

It is that time of the year again where our caravan park caretaker Deb Godwin needs to follow the warmth and thaw out. Deb will be away from the end of June until mid August. During her absence we will have a fill in caretaker. Due to the addition of the caretaker office it has been possible to employ a local caretaker and Doug Hermon has kindly offered to fill this role. We are also repurposing an existing mobile phone as the caravan park phone. This will mean

that signage and advertising will be able to be updated to reflect this and that the caretaker no longer has to use their personal phone. In the absence of the caretaker the phone can now be left with stand in Caretakers or at the shire office. Visitors can have immediate contact with staff members and we can give them direction or be there on site within minutes if need be.



REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE

- Bollard Lights – Phasing old bollards out and introducing new ones gradually cont...
- Various minor repairs and maintenance ongoing.

1. FUTURE PROJECTS

- Unpowered Overflow/ Tent area – Weed matting and out lined sites

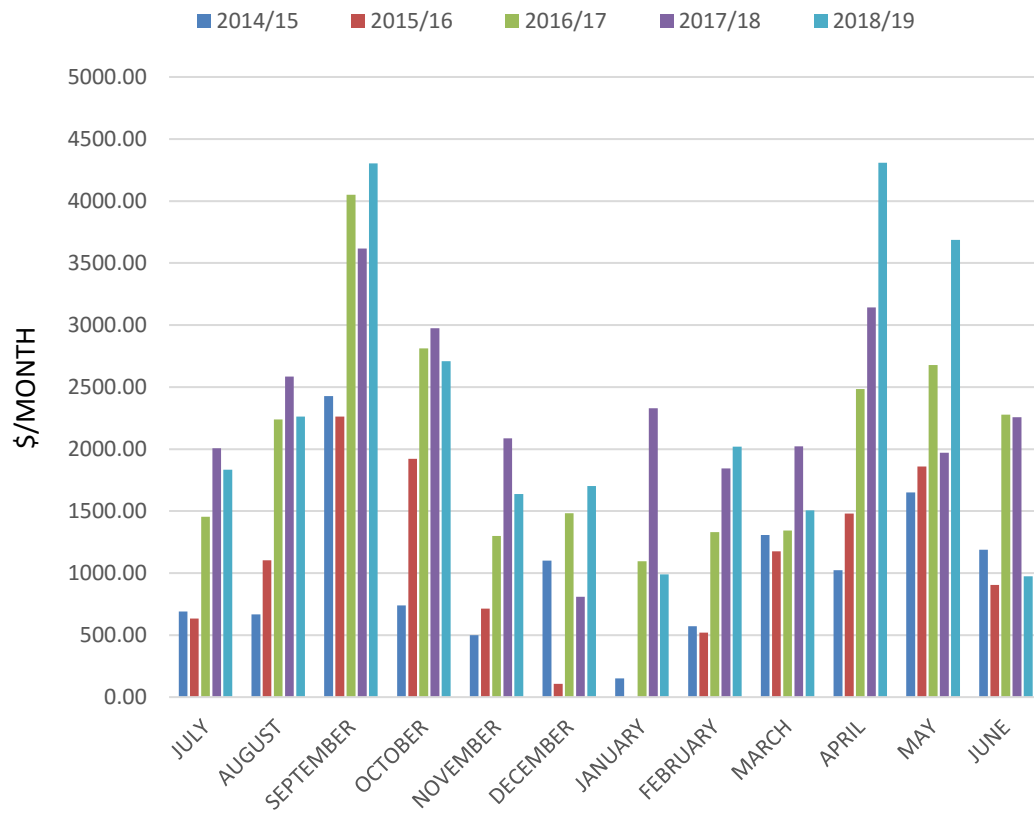
2. VISITOR FEEDBACK

- Visitors are still loving the Caravan Park and town/ facilities.
- Great value for money, best facilities!
- Exposure with Car & Drone promotional Video's and Photographs. It will be interesting to see the impact the video's have on tourism in Westonia this year. It may however impact our Rock's, Reserves and free campgrounds more. We are applying for funding to get materials required to define camping areas at Baladjie and Elachbutting.

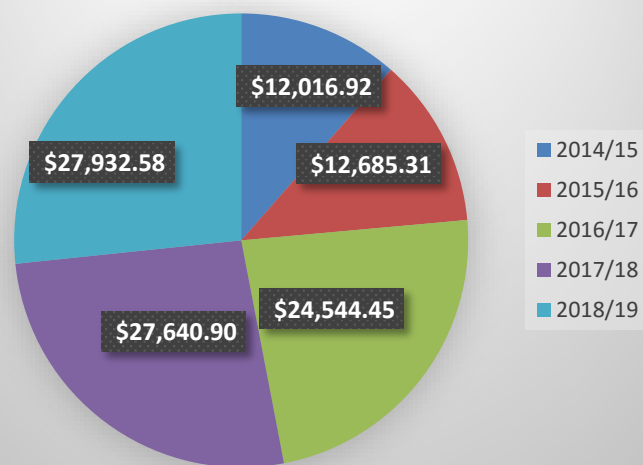
3. STATISTICS



MONTHLY PARK INCOME



ANNUAL PARK INCOME





HOOD-PENN MUSEUM:

With the help of Bill, Jack, Boyd, Brighty, Shirl, Deb & her son Oliver. The Storage room is now completed with shelves removed from the old storage room and rebuilt in the new archival room. All stored items have been, removed from the shelving sorted and stored in the new archive room, with metal implements stored in the sea container. It was a huge job but the reward is that now everything will be dust free and in an environment that will preserve each item for the duration. We now have a blank canvas to work with and can prepare the old storage area for hosting the new scenes.

1. REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE

- Merredin Telephones will
- Footpaths and Carpark hot mix needs to go down before we can start getting the Volunteers to use the new door and close off the old one to become a façade'.

2. RECENT PROJECTS

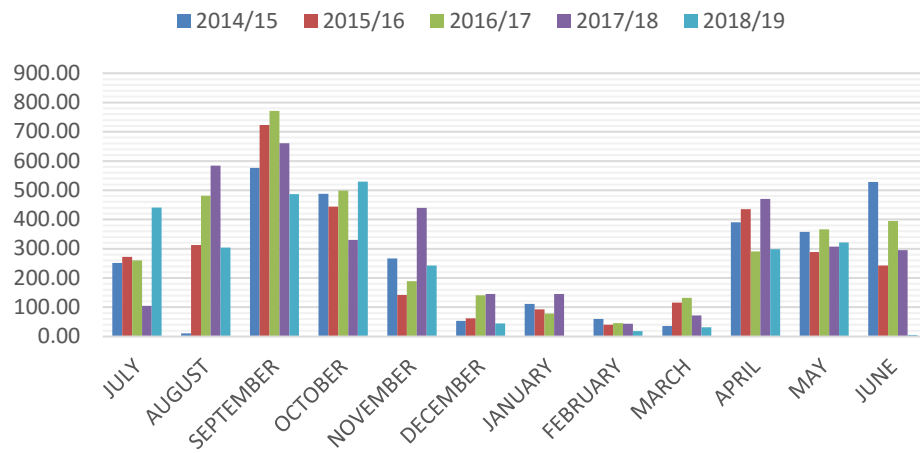
- Lighting solutions.
- Storage area restructure

3. FUTURE PROJECTS

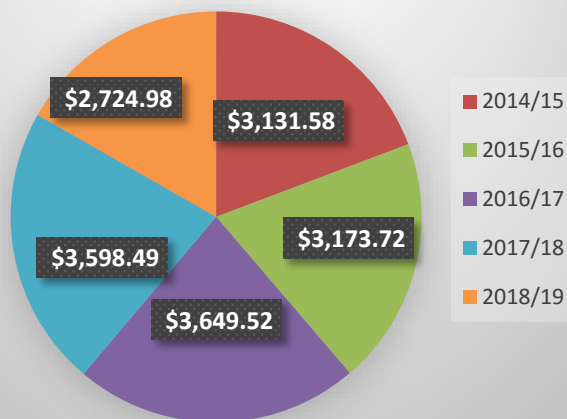
- New scenes to be created in the existing space of the old storage room to tell the stories of our primary industries of which Westonia was founded on.
 - New Mannequins, applications funding have been submitted for the remainder of the Mannequins. Including a possible project to have period costumes made for all mannequins in the museum. Awaiting approval.
- #### 4. VISITOR FEEDBACK (Verbal and Visitor register)
- A couple caravan clubs have been through and loved it and have promised to pass the word around.
 - Fantastic displays / Amazing
 - Clean and tidy
 - Very interesting / Not like any other museum they have visited
 - Amazing
 - Visitor's hearing about museum in Merredin at the visitor's centre, railway & military museums
 - Wheatbelt way and word of mouth still a big performer for us (getting quite a few through from Kalgoorlie)

5. STATISTICS

MONTHLY MUSEUM INCOME



ANNUAL MUSEUM INCOME



17 June 2019

Avon Valley Motor Museum in good hands for future

Member for Central Wheatbelt Mia Davies MLA has attended the York Motor Museum for the formal handover of the venue by previous owner Peter Briggs to the Community and unveiling of “The Briggs Room” a tribute to the former owner.

“Congratulations to the Avon Valley Motor Museum Association and volunteers involved in this extraordinary community project,” she said.

“To have Australia’s oldest motor museum run solely by volunteers is a fine example of how successful community partnerships can help create vibrant regional towns,” Ms Davies said.

“The York Motor Museum is in the heart of the Avon Valley and not only attracts motor enthusiasts from all over the world but also provides a significant boost to local tourism and the economy.”

The York Motor Museum was first opened in 1979 by Peter Briggs and James Harwood and was acquired by the Avon Valley Motor Museum Association (AVMMA) in December 2017.

The sale of the museum between Mr Briggs and the AVMMA was made possible through funding from *Royalties for Regions* through the Regional Grants Scheme and the Shire of York.

“It was a pleasure to work with this committed group of volunteers who had a vision to ensure the Motor Museum continued to operate, it is an important part of the Avon Valley and York identity,” Ms Davies said.

“It was a perfect candidate for Royalties for Regions funding, which allowed them to kick start the process and ultimately work with Peter to transition the ownership of the museum.

“I congratulate and thank Peter and Robin for their commitment they’ve had to the region, investing in the Museum, hotels, and developed iconic events over the years, their contribution has been significant.”

The York Motor Museum has an impressive collection of cars and bikes which showcases over 100 years of motoring history and is open between 9.00am – 4.00pm daily.

For further information visit: <https://www.yorkmotormuseum.com>

For further comment or information, please contact Mia Davies on 9622 2871 or mia.davies@mp.wa.gov.au.



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10 June 2019

Davies calls on Government to fast-track mine expansion

Central Wheatbelt MP Mia Davies has called on the McGowan Government to fast-track approval for a Westonia mine expansion or risk losing more local jobs.

Ms Davies said more than 100 jobs across Merredin, Westonia, Mukinbudin, Nungarin, Bodallin, Burracoppin and Kellerberrin had already been lost due to delays in the granting of a clearing application for a second pit at Ramelius Resources Edna May operations.

Failure to secure the clearing application – expected to be submitted to the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety this week – would put further jobs at risk at Ramelius’ other mine sites at Narembeen and Southern Cross.

Ms Davies said despite being elected on a promise to create local jobs, the McGowan Government had done nothing to stimulate employment in the Wheatbelt.

“Along with the rejection of Mineral Resources’ Jackson 5 and Bungalbin East project proposals in December 2017 – which cost hundreds of local jobs – the sloppy handling of the Edna May assessment is a further black mark against the record of this McGowan Labor Government,” Ms Davies said.

“I am calling on the Government to expedite the approval process for the latest clearing application at Edna May because, frankly, if this is delayed much longer those local jobs will be lost forever, along with the flow-on economic benefits for our region.”

Ms Davies last month brought the issue to the Premier’s attention in State Parliament, questioning the Labor Leader on whether his commitment to create jobs extended beyond the metropolitan area.

“The Premier uses weasel words to spruik his jobs policy but when you peel back the layers Labor has no plan for job creation in the regions,” Ms Davies said.

“In fact, under Labor areas like the Central Wheatbelt are shedding local jobs at a record rate.

“It’s not good enough and I intend to hold the Government to account for their actions as it is hurting Wheatbelt businesses and families.”

The clearing application is part of Ramelius Resources’ Edna May mine expansion plans to extract an additional \$100 million of gold from the mine, which would create more than 100 jobs.

After submitting a significantly revised clearing plan by way of appeal in March this year, almost a year after the initial application, it was ignored by both the Environment Minister and the appeals convenor.

That is despite the revised plan reducing the expansion area by almost 50 per cent and impacting less than 1 per cent of the local ecology.



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Welcome to the Wheatbelt community

A vibrant Wheatbelt community that creates
healthy environments and livelihoods.

Farms selected to demonstrate ground cover options

Wheatbelt NRMs Optimising fodder options in mixed farming project has identified the eight farms we will be working with over the next four years to demonstrate how ground cover options can be maximised for soil health and productivity gains.

Each farm will be the centre of a community learning program with field days and case studies providing an opportunity for other farmers to see what is happening and learn how some of the practices might benefit their own business.

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Latest News

ABORIGINAL NRM

Rangers give a helping hand to the Friends of the Dale River

Successful in the recent Healthy Soils Healthy Rivers grants, the Friends of Dale River are planning a revegetation project adjacent to the Reserve Pool in Westdale. This freshwater pool on the Dale River is an important site valued by the community and the local biodiversity throughout the harsh Wheatbelt summer. Wheatbelt NRM's Noongar Boodja Rangers were out on site last week to give this community group a helping hand with some site preparation work.

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HEALTHY ENVIRONMENTS

Calici is an option for rising rabbit numbers

12 months after the initial release of the Calici virus on his property Corrigin farmer Richard Guinness has seen rabbit numbers reduce by two thirds. This outperforms the national results and confirms that Calici is a viable control option in the Wheatbelt.

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ABORIGINAL NRM

Baronga – traditional totems - a contract to look after country

WA scientist Dr Stephen Hopper has recently suggested that one way in which we can all commit to caring for our environment is by adopting a Baronga, or Totem to the local Noongar people.

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Our beautiful Wheatbelt

Wheatbelt NRM has a new Instagram feed.

We will be using Instagram to tell the story of us. Who we are and why we do what we do.

We aim to showcase our unique Wheatbelt environment and our place in it.

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SUSTAINABLE INDUSTRIES

Soil CRC - Building Technical Capability in NRM and Grower Groups

Announced recently by the Australian Government, the Soil CRC has been awarded funding and will deliver a project over the next two years that builds soil technical capacity and capability in grower groups, landcare groups and NRM organisations, both within and outside of the CRC.

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Salinity Review – What Wheatbelt NRM has to say

The consultation process for “A New Direction for Salinity Management in Western Australia: a review” ([get](#) the document) is closing on 30 June. We have drafted our response and thought it would be valuable to share it with the Wheatbelt Community early so that we:

- Can inspire you to do your own response

- Can hear back from you on what you think about what we have had to say (email us at info@wheatbeltnrm.org.au)
- Can make doing a response easier for you, feel free to cut and paste the text

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2019 State & Territory Landcare Awards - Nominations Open

For over 20 years, the Landcare Awards have recognised and celebrated the achievements of groups and individuals in the landcare community who have made a significant contribution to the environment, sustainable farming practices and natural resource management.

From the coast to the country, and from cities to the outback, Landcare's greatest asset is its people - all motivated by a shared vision to restore and protect the environment in their local community.

The 2019 State & Territory Landcare Awards profiles individuals and groups from urban and rural communities who are working together to care for our country.

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Call for Abstracts – State NRM and Coastal Conference

Now it's time to get cracking on those abstract submissions - for longer or short talks, posters, workshops, Arts and videos - in the State NRM and Coastal Conference 1 – 4

October. All abstracts will be presented to the Reviewer Panel who will assist in the selection process. Please note, the program will be split into three streams over the three days of the conference proceedings; Coastal, Land and Combined, to enable presentations and discussion to focus on specific topics and areas where relevant.

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Call for Abstracts – WA Threatened Species Forum

An exciting line up of keynote speakers is being established by the Steering Committee and submissions are now open of abstracts for oral and poster presentations. The Steering Committee will perform a blind review of all submissions and will notify presenters of the outcome by 30 June.

Please use the “Abstract Submission Template” when submitting your abstract. Abstract submissions are welcome on any topic relating to threatened species or ecological community recovery plans.

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HEALTHY ENVIRONMENTS

Bird of the Week: Gilbert's Whistler

The Gilbert's Whistler or *Pachycephala inornata* is about 19-20cm in size with a short black bill and may have a downcurved upper bill. This bird's flight is strongly undulating with short swooping glides and feeds on the ground and thick vegetation. The Gilbert's Whistler is uncommon to rare and found in the eastern parts of the Avon River Basin. This bird is usually heard rather than seen.

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The birds featured in "Bird of the Week" are extracts from our Birds of the Avon River Basin book which is available at our online store or download your free electronic copy below.

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Events



Muresk Institute's FarmSmart Showcase

Wednesday 19 June, 10.00am

Muresk Institute, Muresk Road, Northam WA 6401

The 2019 FarmSmart Showcase is a FREE one-day event featuring the latest agricultural innovations, technologies and upskilling opportunities. As Western Australia's skills hub of modern agriculture we have partnered with industry leaders, ag tech companies and training providers to hold a one day showcase that brings you the knowledge and skills you need to do better, smarter business.

Contact: Muresk Institute on 1300 994 031

Email: muresk@dtwd.wa.gov.au

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Pasture to Pocket

Wednesday 26 - Friday 28 June

1 Muresk Road, Northam WA 6401

This workshop is a comprehensive introduction to regenerative grazing land management. In two and a half days producers will gain the knowledge and tools to improve the productivity of grazing country and livestock in an ecologically sound and financially viable manner.

Contact: Prue Jenkins on 9690 1556

Email: prue.jenkins@dtwd.wa.gov.au

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Facey Group Presents: Women in Agriculture

Thursday 25 July, 10.00am

Wickepin Community Centre, Campbell Street, Wickepin WA 6370

The Facey Group Women in Agriculture committee host an annual seminar specifically to draw rural women involved in broadacre agriculture together in unity while inspiring them to ensure their success and resilience in the future. The seminar will provide a forum for women to hear from a group of strategically selected inspirational leaders, agricultural industry professionals and local champions. Ticket includes gourmet morning tea & lunch.

Contact: Facey Group on 9888 1223 or

Email: admin@faceygroup.org.au

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Regenerative Agriculture Conference - SAVE THE DATE

Wednesday 11 September

Optus Stadium, 33 Victoria Park Drive, Burswood WA 6100

Investing in our innovative farming communities and a more secure food future for West Australians. Join us for the inaugural Regenerative Agricultural Conference, demonstrating practical approaches to farming that will help Western Australia to provide safe and healthy food, using innovative sustainability practices. This is your chance to meet the innovative producers from RegenWA, understand the productivity constraints and challenges of 'business-as-usual' farming practices, and participate in building a strategic plan for investing in the future.

Email: info@regenwa.com

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Video



Selling Rabbits and Chasing Kangaroos

In this story, Laurie Collard talks about how his mother and he used to sell rabbits while his father was away in the war. Laurie is a Balladong Noongar Elder from Brookton, Western Australia, who is passionate about Noongar culture and keeping it alive through his stories. Thank you, Laurie Collard, for sharing your story with Wheatbelt NRM.

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Local Government Leader Recognised in Queen's Honours



MONDAY, 10 JUNE 2019

Media Release

WA Local Government Association State Councillor and City of Kwinana Mayor Carol Adams was awarded an Order of Australia Medal – one of Australia's highest Honours – as part of the Queen's Birthday Honours List today.

Recognised for her service to Local Government and the community over the course of 22 years, Mayor Adams was first elected as a Town of Kwinana Councillor in 1997 before becoming the Council's first female Mayor in 2006.

WALGA President Cr Lynne Craigie congratulated Mayor Adams for receiving the prestigious commendation.

"Mayor Adams is a champion for the Local Government sector and she richly deserves the honour," Cr Craigie said.

"Her passion and commitment to the sector and the local community are evident and this national honour recognises the significant contribution she has made over more than two decades of service."

A long serving WALGA State Councillor for 13 years, Mayor Adams received the WALGA Long and Loyal Service Award in 2011.

Ends

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