

## Shire President's Report



for how Council tackles increasing visitor numbers, the increasing costs in maintaining the facilities and safety around actual numbers on the beach during peak times. This will include comprehensive community input and collaboration with our neighbours too on how best to implement a system that will help protect and preserve what is a special part of our Shire. Given the interest shown by the large number of residents from Preston at the Council meeting, we are looking forward to seeing how this discussion will move forward.

Ongoing unbudgeted upgrades and maintenance to the ablutions at Preston Beach and occasional user issues have created a few concerns around how the Council manages and preserves the amenity of Preston Beach. At the first ordinary Council meeting for the year, a recommendation was tabled to commence a future development plan

As part of having the Ranger services back under our Council control, emergency management will also return to our administration. This will include the Local Emergency Management Committee, which was combined with the Shire of Murray for the last few years. Consultation with the agencies that attend these quarterly meetings

has been currently undertaken and the comments have been positive in a return to our own emergency management arrangements. While there is a process to undergo in this separation, it is expected to occur during the middle of this year.

The long-awaited community consultation has commenced on the future declaration of an area off our coastline for renewable energy. The Federal Minister for Energy, the Hon Chris Bowen was in Bunbury recently to announce the start of this process. Currently, the area that is to be declared is roughly starting thirty kilometres from shore and terminates at around seventy kilometres. Submissions are available to be made until the 3rd of May and community sessions on the proposal are to be held from the 19th- 21st of March in Bunbury, Busseton, Harvey and Mandurah. I encourage anyone with an interest in what this means for

renewable wind energy going forward to go to <https://consult.dccew.gov.au/oei-bunbury>

Art will be continually installed in Railside Park over the next year. There have been various interactive events so far that encourage our residents to have input into the park and for the ability to have your own piece in there for future posterity. One of these events will be held on the 9th and 10th of March involving the creation of mosaics. These mosaic pieces will then be inlaid into the paths that flow through the park. I encourage anyone with an interest in leaving a legacy of art in the park to try and attend these sessions and help create a masterpiece that will feature in the area for many years to come. Please check the Shires website for more details.

**Cr Mike Walmsley,**  
Shire President

## Latest News & Updates

The Minister for Climate Change and Energy has proposed an area within Commonwealth waters off the coast of Western Australia for offshore renewable energy. This proposes an area where future offshore wind projects could be considered.

Consultation on this proposed area is now open and the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water seeks the community's feedback on the area and how offshore wind could share the area with other users and interests.

Submissions can be made through the Consultation Hub <https://consult.dccew.gov.au/oei-bunbury> Submissions close at **11:59 PM AWST on Friday 3 May 2024.**

All enquiries should be directed to the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water.

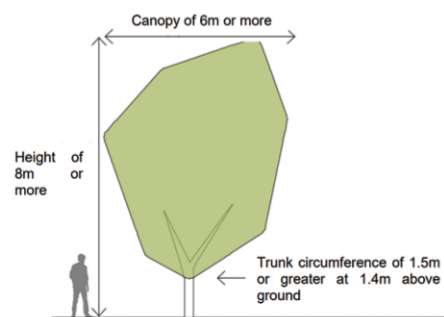


### Clearing vegetation in urban areas

The Shire values the contribution that large trees and other vegetation makes to the cooling of our urban areas and the habitat that it provides for our wildlife.

Please be aware that a clearing permit is required if you want to clear or make significant modifications to vegetation which has a:

- Canopy diameter of 6m or greater;
- Height of 8m of greater; or
- A trunk circumference of 1.5m or greater.



Also note that any modifications to vegetation in the verge requires approval from the Shire. For more information, please contact our planning department on 9733 7800.



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For more information or to register please visit [www.erateswa.com/Waroona/](http://www.erateswa.com/Waroona/) or visit the Shire of Waroona website and Facebook Page.

## Job Vacancies



### SHIRE OF WAROONA CLEANER – WAROONA RECREATION & AQUATIC CENTRE

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.

We are currently recruiting for a cleaner to join our enthusiastic team at the Waroona Recreation & Aquatic Centre.

If you have an eye for detail, a friendly manner, and would like to work locally, contributing to the presentation of this fantastic community facility, we want to hear from you.

**Work type:** Casual  
**Level:** Level 3 + OA – Municipal Employees (WA) Award 2021 - \$28.33 + 20% loading  
**Close:** Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2024 @ 4pm

The position will be a casual position based at the Waroona Recreation & Aquatic Centre working approximately 40hrs to 50hrs per fortnight.

To be considered for the position, applicants must submit a covering letter, resume and a statement addressing the selection criteria as per the instructions in the application package which may be obtained by visiting Councils website [www.waroona.wa.gov.au](http://www.waroona.wa.gov.au) or by an email request to [mcs@waroona.wa.gov.au](mailto:mcs@waroona.wa.gov.au).

For further information regarding this position, please contact Senior Asset Services Officer, Jayne Asplin on (08) 9733 7800. Applications should be clearly endorsed "Private and Confidential – Vacancy – Cleaner WRAC" and close with the undersigned at 4pm on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

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

**MR M GOODLET**  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

## Local Government Notices



### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### 2023/24 Fees and Charges - Amendment

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 6.19 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, the Shire of Waroona intends to impose two new Fees and Charges for the 2023/24 financial year, effective from 15 March 2024 –

- Adult Swim Fees (16 years and older) - Twelve Month Membership \$325.00 incl. GST
- Children/Student/Pensioner Swim Fees - Twelve Month Membership \$260.00 incl. GST



### Dog Act 1976 Shire of Waroona

#### Corporate & Governance Policy 26 (CGP026) Dog Prohibited Areas, Dog Exercise Areas and Rural Leashing Areas – approved for advertising.

In accordance with section 31(3C) of the *Dog Act 1976*, notice is given that the above-mentioned policy was approved for advertising by Council at its ordinary meeting held on Tuesday 27 February 2024 following significant changes to the previously advertised draft policy.

The intention of this policy is to specify:

- Dog Prohibited Areas;
- Dog Exercise areas; and
- Rural Leashing Areas;

within the Shire of Waroona in accordance with section 31(2B), (3A) and (3B) of the *Dog Act 1976* and inform and educate the community relating to dog ownership responsibilities when exercising dogs.

A **copy** of the proposed policy is available for inspection at the Shire's Administration Office at 52 Hesse Street, Waroona, between 9.00am and 4.00pm Monday to Friday. Alternatively, the policy can be viewed on the Shire's website [www.waroona.wa.gov.au](http://www.waroona.wa.gov.au).

Written submissions should be addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Waroona, PO Box 20, Waroona WA 6215. Emailed submissions should be sent to [warshire@waroona.wa.gov.au](mailto:warshire@waroona.wa.gov.au).

Submissions close **19 April 2024.**

**MARK GOODLET**  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



### Local Government Act 1995 Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007 Shire of Waroona Proposed Pest Plant Local Law 2024

The Shire of Waroona proposes to make a local law relating to pest plant related matters.

The **purpose** of this Local Law is to allow Council to specify pest plants within the Shire, provide a framework for effective pest plant control, and a means to enforce removal of pest plants from Shire and private land.

The **effect** of the proposed Shire of Waroona Pest Plant Local Law 2024 is that owners and occupiers of land within the district are to comply with the provisions of this local law.

A copy of the proposed local law may be inspected at or obtained from the Shire's office at 52 Hesse Street, Waroona, between 8.30am and 4.00pm Monday to Friday. A copy is also on the Shire's website [www.waroona.wa.gov.au](http://www.waroona.wa.gov.au).

**Submissions** about the proposed local law may be made to the Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Waroona, PO Box 20, Waroona WA 6215 by 4pm Friday, 10 May 2024.

**MARK GOODLET**  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



### Local Government Act 1995 Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 Shire of Waroona Notice of Ordinary Council Meetings 2024

The Council of the Shire of Waroona will hold its Ordinary Council meetings on the dates and at the locations in 2024 as follows:

March	Tuesday 26 March	Preston Beach Community Centre
April	Tuesday 23 April	Council Chamber
May	Tuesday 28 May	Council Chamber
June	Tuesday 25 June	Council Chamber
July	Tuesday 23 July	Council Chamber
August	Tuesday 27 August	Council Chamber
September	Tuesday 24 September	Council Chamber
October	Tuesday 22 October	Preston Beach Community Centre
November	Tuesday 26 November	Council Chamber
December	Tuesday 17 December	Council Chamber

Meetings will commence at 4.00 pm. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

## Upcoming Events

### Youth Fest

Date: Saturday 6 April  
Time: 10am – 1pm  
Location: Railside Park  
Young people are invited to come along to a skate

workshop with Freestyle Now. There will also be art activities in the Big Shed space.

### Anzac Day

Date: Thursday 25 April  
Time: 6.15 am Dawn Service with Gunfire Breakfast,

10.45 am ANZAC Parade on Fouracre Street,  
11.00 am Day Service  
Location: Waroona War Memorial at Railside Park,  
Gunfire Breakfast at Memorial Hall

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