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CEO's Corner



Flooding Event - February 2017

WML Consulting Pty Ltd has now been appointed as the successful Project Manager, and in conjunction with the Western Australia Local Government Association (WALGA), two tenders for supervision services, plant and labour were advertised on Saturday 12 August in "The West Australian". Tenders closed on Tuesday 29 August 2017 at 3.00pm WST. The tenders were conducted using an electronic environment utilising WALGA's E-Tendering Portal Tenderlink.

After the closure of the tenders an evaluation panel will assess all tenders received and make a recommendation to Council for their final decision. It is estimated that this process will take two weeks.

Unfortunately, we can no longer pump water from Old Ravensthorpe Road. The road closure will continue until the water has subsided either side of the Creek Road intersection.

For current road closures please refer to the Shire's website www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au or Facebook page for a list of roads that are closed within the Shire.

Local Government Elections – 21 October 2017

The closing date for enrolment on the Owners and Occupiers Roll is 5.00pm Friday, 1 September 2017. Anyone unsure if they are eligible to vote, contact the Shire office to check your enrolment eligibility.

For any interested person wishing to nominate for a vacancy, Nominations open Thursday 7 September and close 4.00pm Thursday 14 September. Carly Smith is our Returning Officer for this election. Any prospective Councillor can contact Carly on 0429 351 375 regarding your eligibility and the nomination procedure.

Prospective Candidates Local Government Elections – 21 October 2017

Any person interested in nominating on Council and is unsure of what the role entails please contact the Shire office and we can arrange a briefing on the roles and responsibilities of an elected member. There are pre-recorded webinars for "Prospective Elected

Members" and "Local Government Act for Elected Members" that can be viewed. I am happy to discuss the process with any prospective elected member.

Ordinary Council Meeting – Wednesday 26 July 2017 Items of business considered by Council at the meeting included:

- The Shire supports the application submitted to subdivide Lot 2542 (No. 565) Dawson Road, South Newdegate.
- Approval of request for quotation for the Newdegate Skate Park and all ages nature-based playground.
- Approval of Newdegate Waste Management Facility to be open on Friday immediately after the annual Newdegate Machinery Field Days in lieu of the normal Saturday.
- Approval for CEO to write to Prime Minister regarding Western Australia's Rate of Return from the Federal Government.
- The Shire does not support the acquisition of AA Dam No. 187 Neendaling from Water Corporation.

The minutes of the August 2017 Ordinary Council Meeting are available on the Shire's website at www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au.

Building and Maintenance Team

This fortnight, works continue on Independent Living units:

- · Blinds and internal flooring still to be fitted;
- Painting still occurring internally;
- · Landscaping has been carried out; and,
- Air-conditioning is being installed.

The Building Maintenance Team has commenced cleaning out gutters on all Shire owned buildings including Shire managed housing.

Road Works

Our Construction Team have been working on Hollands Track Road, Beynon Road and have been out checking roads for damage due to the recent rainfall and carrying out road patching on various roads throughout the Shire.

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The Maintenance Grader has been working on Hilton Road, Slarke Road, South Burngup Road. They have been trimming trees on Hilton Road, Slarke Road and Duckworth Road.

The Newdegate grading contractor has been working on Old Ravensthorpe Road, Ardler Road, Magenta Road, Tuck Road, Creek Road and Breed Road and will then move onto Haig Road, Tonkin Road, Kerr Road, Mt Vernon Road and Mt Sheridan Road.

The Lake King grading contractor has been working on Old Newdegate Road, Tarco Road, Holt Rock South Road, Biddy Camm Road and will then move onto Hewsons Road, Drust Road, Fox Road, Winchcombe Road, Purnta Road, Broomebush Flat Road and Mulcahy Road.

Parks and Gardens

The town maintenance crew have been to Varley to carry out works in the townsite. The team have carried out town maintenance in the Lake Grace townsite including the playgrounds. A general tidy up was carried out at the Depot and around the South Road Drainage, Boulton and Dewar Street standpipe area and maintenance carried out to footpaths.

Denise Gobbart

Chief Executive Officer

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ORDINARY ELECTION CLOSE OF ENROLMENTS

Shire of Lake Grace ROLL CLOSE: 5:00 PM Friday, 1 September 2017



You may be eligible to be enrolled to vote in the local government elections on 21 October 2017 if you live in or are an owner or occupier of rateable property in the Shire of Lake Grace.

Residents

You are automatically enrolled to vote if you are on the State Electoral Roll as at 5:00 PM Friday, 1 September 2017. If you are not already on the State Electoral Roll and meet the eligibility criteria, or if you have changed address recently, you must complete an enrolment form.

Enrolment Forms

Electoral enrolment forms are available from the Shire of Lake Grace, all post offices, all Australian Electoral Commission offices or the Western Australian Electoral Commission and must be completed and reach a Divisional Returning Officer in Western Australia by 5:00 PM Friday, 1 September 2017.

Non-Resident Owners and Occupiers

If you are a non-resident owner or occupier of rateable property in the Shire of Lake Grace and are on the State or Commonwealth Electoral Roll, you are eligible to enrol to vote. If you are **not** on the State or Commonwealth Electoral Roll and own or occupy rateable property in the Shire of Lake Grace you may be eligible to enrol to vote. This applies if you were on the last electoral roll for the Shire of Lake Grace prior to May 1996 and have owned or occupied rateable property in the district continuously since this time. Please contact your local government for details.

Owners of land who were on the last Local Government roll continue to retain that status until they cease to own the rateable property to which the enrolment relates. Occupiers do not have continuous enrolment and should contact the Shire of Lake Grace to confirm their enrolment status. To be eligible to enrol as an occupier, you will need to have a right of continuous occupation under a lease, tenancy agreement or other legal instrument for at least the next three months following the date of the application to enrol.

Joint Owners and Occupiers

If a rateable property is owned or occupied by more than two people, a majority of the owners/occupiers may nominate two persons from amongst themselves who are on either the State or Commonwealth Electoral Roll, to enrol as owner/occupier electors.

Corporations

A body corporate that owns or occupies rateable property may nominate two people who are on either the State or Commonwealth Electoral Roll to enrol as owner/occupier electors.

Enrolment Forms – Non-Resident Owners and Occupiers Only

Enrolment forms can be obtained from local governments and must be lodged with the Chief Executive Officer by 5:00 PM Friday, 1 September 2017. Further information can be obtained from the Shire of Lake Grace.

Denise Gobbart

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER Shire of Lake Grace Telephone: 9890 2500



Newdegate Machinery Field Days

It is with pleasure that the Shire of Lake Grace looks forward to the 45th Newdegate Machinery Field Days on Wednesday and Thursday 7 and 8 September 2017.

The Shire site is located in the main pavilion at number 35, where people can come and meet Councillors, the Chief Executive Officer and staff members in comfort.

As the Shire's new Strategic Community Plan 2017 - 2027 is very much focussed on tourism, we intend to bring a new viewpoint on this important industry by showcasing some of the beautiful and accessible tourism attractions in this area through the talent of local photographers.

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Office Opening Hours

Monday - Tuesday - Wednesday - Friday 8.30am - 4.30pm

Thursday 8.30am- 4.00pm Staff can be contacted by phone between 8am - 5pm.

Transport & Licensing

All licensing payments are to be made in person at the Shire of Lake Grace Administration building.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 8.30am - 4.15pm Thursday and Friday 8.30am - 4.00pm

As an agency we process the majority of transactions, including; renewals, transfers, number plate orders, boat registration renewals and new license applications.

Please ensure you arrive at the counter with sufficient time for your transaction to be completed by closing time, this is because it is necessary for staff to reconcile Department of Transport transactions each day. Please keep in mind that farm equipment and Learners Permit transactions can take up to 45 minutes or more.

Driving Assessor

The Practical Driving Assessor (PDA) will be at the Shire of Lake Grace Office on:

Friday - 6 October 2017

Friday - 3 November 2017 to be confirmed

Bookings are essential for all Practical Driver's Licence Assessments and we advise that there is a waiting list, so booking in advance is highly recommended.

Lake Grace has one assessment day each month held on the first Friday of the month.

For more information visit www.transport.wa.gov.au.

Firearm Licence

All firearm licensing including the payment of licence renewals is now done at the Lake Grace Post Office.

Building Surveyor

Shire Building Surveyor, Josiah Farrell will be available at the Shire Office on the following dates:

Tuesday 5 September 2017

Tuesday 19 September 2017

For an appointment contact Josiah on 0438 811 944.



Check out our Facebook page www.facebook.com/ShireofLakeGrace

Environmental Health Officer

For an appointment with the Shire's Environmental Health Officer, please contact the Shire on 9890 2500 or email shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au.

Tip Opening Hours

Lake Grace

Monday & Wednesday 9am - 2pm Saturday & Sunday 9am - 4pm

Newdegate

Wednesday 9am - 1pm

Saturday 9am - 1pm (except on Saturday 9 September due to the necessity of cleaning up after the Field Days when it will be open on Friday only.)

Lake King & Varley Open Every Day

Waste & Recycling Pick up Dates

Household Waste Collection is a weekly service and collected each Monday for Lake Grace, Newdegate, Lake King & Varley.

Recycling is a fortnightly service and alternates between Lake Grace & Newdegate. See below for the upcoming recycling collection dates.

Lake Grace	Newdegate	
4 September	11 September	
18 September	25 September	

Please Note: There is no kerbside recycling collection service in Lake King or Varley.

For more information on Waste Management visit the Shire's website.

Library Hours

Lake Grace Public Library School Place Absolon St

Monday - Thursday 9am - 5pm Closed for lunch 12.00 - 12.30pm

Newdegate Public Library Collier St

Monday - Thursday 8.30am - 4.30pm Closed for lunch 12noon - 1pm Friday 9am - 2pm

Lake King Library Newdegate/Ravensthorpe Rd Tuesday and Thursday 8.30am - 3.30pm

Everyone welcome.



Check out our website www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au

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GOVERNMENT ORDINARY ELECTION CALL FOR NOMINATIONS Shire of Lake Grace



An Ordinary Postal Election will be held on Saturday, 21 October 2017 in the Shire of Lake Grace to fill the following vacancies:

Nominations Open on Thursday, 7 September 2017 **Nominations Close** at 4:00pm Thursday, 14 September 2017

District	5	Councillors	4 year term
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- Nominations must be lodged with the Returning Officer: at any time during the above period by arrangement; or
- between 2:00pm and 4:00pm Thursday,
 14 September 2017 (close of nominations) at the Shire of Lake Grace, 1 Bishop Street, LAKE GRACE.

Nominations Requirements

Candidates are required to lodge with the Returning Officer:

- a completed nomination in the prescribed form, signed and witnessed. (This form is available from the Returning Officer, the Western Australian Electoral Commission or the Shire of Lake Grace);
- a single A4 page profile containing not more than 150 words of information about the candidate;
- a nomination deposit of \$80 (cash, bank cheque or postal order); and
- a recent passport-sized photograph (optional).

The Commission has developed an online system called Nomination Builder to assist candidates to complete their nomination form which includes the candidate profile. This is the preferred method of completing the nomination form and profile for elections conducted by the Commission. Candidates complete their nomination details and profile, print the completed form which has a reference number allocated and lodge it with the Returning Officer. The nomination builder can be accessed at www.elections.wa.gov.au.

Where an agent lodges a nomination on a candidate's behalf, it must be in the prescribed form with a written authorisation signed by the candidate.

The documents may be hand delivered, posted or faxed to the Returning Officer and must be received by the close of nominations.

Information

Full details about eligibility and nomination procedures for prospective candidates can be obtained by contacting the Returning Officer on 0429 351 375 or the Western Australian Electoral Commission on 13 63 06.

Carly SMITH RETURNING OFFICER WESTERN AUSTRALIAN Electoral Commission

Newdegate Tip

To help with the clean up after the Newdegate Machinery Field Days the tip will be **open**

9.00 am - 1.00 pmClosed Saturday
9 September 2017

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Enterprising Communities

The Shire, in conjunction with community groups in Lake Grace, Newdegate and Lake King, will be presenting film evening workshops in October.

The films will showcase approaches that have been successfully developed by other towns to help their communities thrive.

The Enterprising Communities program aims to encourage Wheatbelt communities to develop community enterprises and community driven funding options for these enterprises. It is to encourage a culture of community enterprise development and innovation, working towards self-reliance within communities and the broader region that is independent of Government funding.

Definite dates and venue for each town will be advised shortly.

Australia Day Nominations 2017

Nominations for the Community Citizen of the Year Awards for Australia Day 2018 will open 1 September 2017 and close on 31 October 2017.

The criteria for the awards remains consistent with previous years and allows you to recognise a wider range of your community champions through the four categories:

- Citizen of the Year
- Senior Citizen of the Year (over 65 years of age)
- Youth Citizen of the Year (under 25 years of age)

Australia Day WA
Community
Citizen of

the Year

Active Citizenship Award (to recognise a community group or event)

For further information visit www.citizenshipawards.com.au

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Public Notice

Strategic Community Plan

Following an extensive community engagement process earlier this year, the Shire of Lake Grace Strategic Community Plan 2017-2027 was adopted by Council at its 28 June 2017 Ordinary Meeting.

The Strategic Community Plan captures the Shire community's collective vision, values, aspirations and priorities for the next ten years, which will be included in the Shire's Corporate Business Plan.

The Shire would like to thank the community for their participation in the development of this plan.

COMMUNITY ACCESS TO THE PLAN

View the Plan at:

- The Shire Administration Centre at 1 Bishop St Lake Grace
- Lake Grace Community Library
- Newdegate Community Library
- Lake King Community Library
- Varley General Store
- Pingaring General Store

Download an electronic copy of the Plan: Shire's Website: www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au
For any queries regarding the Strategic Community Plan please phone the Shire Office on 08 9890 2500.

Denise Gobbart

Chief Executive Officer



