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# CEO's Corner



#### Budget 2016/2017

The Shire held a Special Budget Meeting on Wednesday 21 September in the Council Chambers to adopt the 2016/2017 Budget. The budget was adopted with a general rate increase of 2.5%, this is slightly less than the forecast in the Long Term Financial Plan.

Your Specified Area Rates have varying increases dependent on the funding requests made by your various communities. We have kept the rates on the Lake Grace Sewerage Scheme at the same level as the prior year.

The road program has had a significant increase in funding of \$1,355,977 from the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development. This has led to a substantial road program for the 2016/2017 year. A portion of these works will be put out to contract as we do not have the capacity to undertake the works ourselves. The total of our road funding sources are as follows;

Grants Commission Roads	\$1,219,828
MRWA Direct Grant	\$ 289,773
CSR Hatters Hill Rd 0023	\$ 175,000
RRG Holt Rock South Road 0219	\$ 237,491
RRG Varley Road 0027	\$ 102,509
Roads to Recovery 16/17	\$1,945,150
	\$3,969,751

In the 2017/2018 and 2018/2019 Financial Years our Roads to Recovery funding will return to the annual contribution of \$589,173.

It is proposed that approximately \$281,000 will be spent on resealing town streets within our four town sites; this includes work on the car park at the Newdegate Swimming Pool.

The major building project is the completion of the Lake Grace Independent Living Units. We are yet to hear the outcome of the National Stronger Regions funding application submitted to undertake the final stage of the Lake Grace Sporting Precinct. It is proposed to complete the resurfacing of the multi-purpose courts in Lake King and funding submissions have been made for the proposed Newdegate Skate Park facility.

Now that the budget has been adopted your annual Rate Notice will be issued on Wednesday, 28 September 2016. The rate payment due dates are as follows;

#### **Option One**

Single Full Payment 3 November 2016

#### **Option Two**

First Instalment 3 November 2016 Second Instalment 3 January 2017

#### **Option Three**

First Instalment 3 November 2016 Second Instalment 3 January 2017 Third Instalment 3 March 2017 Fourth Instalment 3 May 2017

#### Progress on Lake Grace units

The building team have finished the roof framing for unit 2. Once this is completed they will then be carrying out the lining of rooves and framing of unit 3. Due to the weather there has been delays in the team being able to carry out some of the tasks.

#### Road Works

The Shire's road construction team have recently completed works on South Burngup Road and Fourteen Mile Road. They are currently carrying out road patching and will then move onto Holt Rock South Road.

The Lake Grace road maintenance grader has been currently working on Wolseley, Dunham, Walker, Robertson, Burns, Argent, Duckworth and Biddy Camm Roads.



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The Lake King grading contractor is currently working east of Lake King. Our Newdegate grading contractor is currently on Mt Vernon Road.

#### Maintenance

The maintenance crew have removed trees from the Lake Grace Recreation Dam Catchment and are currently undertaking works at our landfill sites to ensure compliance with our licence conditions.

#### **New Local Doctor**

Dr Timothy Taulke-Johnson will be officially commencing on Monday 3 October 2016. The Shire's medical business support service providers, First Health have been unable to get a locum during this interim period therefore the Medical Centre has been closed. Our apologies for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Deníse Gobbart

#### **Chief Executive Officer**

# **Bushfire Officer Meeting**

The Bushfire Advisory Committee meeting to be held at

Newdegate Recreation Centre

### و Wednesday 5 October at 3.30pm

## **Restricted Burning**

Restricted Burning Period (Permit Required)

19 September - 31 October

Permits are required to burn during this period.

Firebreaks must be in place from the

1 November to the 30 April.

Expressions of Interest **Newdegate Town Maintenance Contract** 36 hours per week The Shire of Lake Grace is seeking written expressions of interest from parties interested in taking on the Newdegate Town Maintenance Contract. Duties include maintenance of Newdegate townsite parks and gardens, oval, tennis club, Country Club and the cemetery. Quality of work to be in accordance with the strategic objectives and requirements of the Shire of Lake Grace. For further information and a detailed description of the required tasks please contact Acting Manager Infrastructure Services, Bob Edwards on 9890 2500 or email mis@lakegrace.wa.gov.au Expressions of Interest to be marked 'Confidential' and addressed to; Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Lake Grace, PO Box 50 Lake Grace WA 6353 Expressions of Interest close 4:00pm Friday 14th October 2016

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# Lake Grace and Newdegate Pools

The Leisure Institute of WA Aquatics has received funding from the Royalties for Regions and Department of Sport and Recreation to provide a Photometer Water Test Kit to Newdegate and a Sealed Inflatable Device for Lake Grace aquatic facilities.

George the Caterpillar is a sealed inflatable animal.

This sealed inflatable pool toy has been designed with handles which makes him extra fun for all ages to





Have you got goods laying around that you are wanting to get rid of?

Register in the National Garage Sale Trail, 22 October 2016, registering is simple!

Register at **www.garagesaletrail.com.au** and make a fun day out of it.

The local contact person for the Garage Sale Trail is the Lake Grace Visitor Centre Coordinator, Jo Morgan on <sup>∞</sup> 08 9865 2140.

hold on tight as they float around the pool. The kids just can't wait to jump on and ride!

# **Vacswim Dates**

#### Newdegate

Lake Grace

Saturday 17 December to Friday 23 December 2016 Over 7 days 9am – 12pm

Entry \$2 per student Spectator free Monday 13 January 2017 Over 9 days *12.30pm – 3.10pm* Entry \$1 per student

Tuesday 3 January to

Entry \$1 per student Spectator fee

# **Citizen of the Year**

Previously known as the Premier's Australia Day Active Citizenship Awards these awards have been rebranded as the **Citizen of the Year Awards**.

Her Excellency the Governor of WA is the new Patron of the awards and her signature will be on each certificate. The Australia Day WA, Citizen of the Year Awards are presented by Local Government within local communities across Western Australia on Australia Day.

The Awards reward and recognise individuals and organisations making a notable contribution during the current year, and/or to those who have given outstanding service over a number of years.

#### There are four categories

Citizen of the Year

A person you believe has delivered outstanding service to his or her community.

#### Citizen of the Year – Youth

A young person you believe has delivered outstanding service to his or her community and to be eligible, the person must be under 25 years of age on January 26, 2017.

#### Citizen of the Year – Senior

An older person you believe has delivered outstanding service to his or her community and to be eligible, the person must be over 65 years of age on January 26, 2017.

#### Award for Active Citizenship

A group doing outstanding work or for an event staged in the community during the past year.



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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.

## **Licensing Opening Hours**

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

## Tip Opening Hours

#### Lake Grace

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

#### Newdegate

Wednesday 9am - 1pm Saturday 9am - 1pm

## 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
3 October	10 October
17 October	24 October

**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.



Check out our Facebook page www.facebook.com/ShireofLakeGrace **Driving Assessor** 

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

Friday - 7 October 2016

#### Friday - 4 November 2016-to be confirmed

Please contact the Shire's Customer Service Officer for an appointment.

You can now book your PDA online. For more information visit www.transport.wa.gov.au

## **Building Surveyor**

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

Tuesday 4 October 2016

#### Tuesday 18 October 2016

To make an appointment please contact Josiah on <sup></sup> 20438 811 944.

## **Environmental Health Officer**

Shire Environmental Health Officer Barry Smith is available.

For Barry's availability please contact the Shire on 9890 2500 or email shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au

## **Ordinary Council Meeting**

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held:

3:00 pm Wednesday 26 October 2016

Location: Council Chambers Bishop St Lake Grace

# Members of the public welcome.

A minimum of 15 minutes is set aside for public question time, giving members of the public an opportunity to ask questions relating to Shire activities.

Agendas and Minutes available on Shire website.



Check out our website

www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au



# WA Seniors Week 2016 Seniors (Senior/Pension Card holders) are invited to a **Seniors Cabaret** at Gnowangerup Starting at 12 noon Wednesday 9 November Spring Luncheon followed by live 50s/60s music by - Rocking Eddie Come dressed in your Cabaret best! Free bus will be leaving from Lake Grace Village Hall at 9.30am **RSVP's Essential:** Booking to Cheryl at the Shire office 29890 2500 Department of Local Government and Communities

