## Shire of Lake Grace

# **Community**



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## CEO's Corner

NEWDEGATE

## Election of Shire President and Deputy Shire President

Following the resignation of Cr Walker from the position of President, the first item of business at the 23 March 2016 Ordinary Meeting of Council was the election of President for the remainder of the current term of Council.

These are the results of that election:

Candidate	<u>Votes</u>
Cr Jeanette F De Landgrafft	5
Cr Leonard W Armstrong	4

Therefore, Cr De Landgrafft is elected President of the Shire of Lake Grace until October 2017.

As a result of Cr DeLandgrafft being elected President, it was necessary to elect a Deputy President, the result being:

#### Candidate

Cr Stephen G Hunt Elected unopposed

Therefore, Cr Hunt is elected Deputy President of the Shire of Lake Grace until October 2017. Congratulations to Councillors De Landgrafft and Hunt on their election.



Pictured at Varley after the meeting are left, CEO Neville Hale with new incoming Shire President, Jeanette De Landgrafft and new incoming Deputy Shire President Steve Hunt and outgoing President, Andrew Walker.

#### Drainage Proposal – Lake Grace Town Site

Council considered a request from Mr Arthur Slarke in regard to a proposal to address increasing salinity of his property to the south of the Lake Grace Townsite and adjoining properties in the light industrial area. It was agreed that the contributing factors are complex, as identified in the Rural Towns – Liquid Assets Study of 2005 and subsequent GHD Studies undertaken as a result of the 2006 flooding event.

Council resolved to consider the upgrade of the Slarke Street culvert to accommodate a one in 25 year flood event and further authorised the Chief Executive Officer to meet with Mr Slarke and relevant government agencies to discuss how best to address the issue and determine what, if any, additional Shire involvement is appropriate.

## Others items on the Agenda for consideration by Council were:

- 2015/16 Roads to Recovery Program Council resolved to add eight road reconstruction/re-sheeting projects to the Shire's 2015/16 Works Program in connection with additional funding from Commonwealth's Roads to Recovery Program.
- The introduction of Bulk Recycling Bins Council endorsed bulk bin recycling for the townsite of Lake Grace and will determine an appropriate fee in its upcoming 2016/17 Budget deliberations. A similar service for the Newdegate townsite will also be considered at this time.
- 2015/16 Budget Review Council adopted the Budget Review conducted for the eight months ended 29 February 2016, and notwithstanding overruns in regard to the Newdegate Independent Living Units, it is confident of meeting its budgetary obligations by the end of this financial year.
- Endorsement of a \$214,549 funding application to the Commonwealth's National Stronger Regions Funding Program to complete further works for the Lake Grace Sporting Precinct Redevelopment Project. The Shire's contribution of \$25,000 towards this project will be included in 2016/17 Budget deliberations.



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CEO's Corner continued

- 14 Blackbutt Way, Lake Grace Council agreed to renew the lease with WA Housing Authority for a further 2 years with a 1 year option. 14 Blackbutt Way is occupied by the WA Police.
- Local Government Compliance Audit Return (CAR) Council adopted the return for 1 January to 31 December 2015 for the Shire of Lake Grace. The CAR is an annual requirement for the Department of Local Government and Communities, no areas of noncompliance were identified in this return.
- Lake Grace Saleyards Council agreed to retain the existing saleyards on the corner of Gorge Rock and Biddy Camm Roads, Lake Grace.
- Wheatbelt Development Commission Board Nomination – Council agreed to nominate Cr Allan Marshall for a position on the Wheatbelt Development Commission Board.
- Committees of Council As a result of Cr Walker stepping down from his committee obligations, Cr Lloyd was appointed to the Audit Committee, the Newdegate Town Centre Rejuvenation Committee, and the Integrated Planning Asset Management Committee. In addition Cr Stanton was also appointed as a member of the Audit Committee.
- Local Laws In regards to the Cemeteries Amendment Local Law 2015, Council resolved to

prepare a draft amendment to rectify errors identified by the Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation. Council also resolved to approve the statewide public notice of the Shire of Lake Grace Health Local Law 2016 and the Shire of Lake Grace Animals, Environment and Nuisance Local Law 2016 in order to seek public comment.

For further information in regards to the above Council decisions, the minutes of the March 2016 Ordinary Meeting are available on the Shire's website, www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au.

Nevílle Hale

#### **Chief Executive Officer**

### New Driver for Warren Blackwood

Warren Blackwood Waste has a new driver for the Shire rubbish pickups.

There were rubbish bins not emptied Monday 21 March, we apologise for any inconvenience.

If your rubbish bin was not emptied please contact Jason Lip at the Shire Office on 9890 2500 or to@lakegrace.wa.gov.au to ensure your rubbish is collected.



## **New Faces at the Shire Office**

The Shire has welcomed four new staff members recently. Tash Bowman newly appointed Governance & Council Support Officer will be working closely the CEO and the Shire Councillors.

Jason Lip the new Technical Officer for Infrastructure Services is the man to chat to regarding general works enquiries.

Victoria Gracheva, the newly appointed Administration Assistant has moved to Australia from Moscow, Russia. She works with payroll and you will also see her at the front reception.

Reece Lay, Customer Service Officer will be with us for 12 months to gain valuable work experience before attending university. He is the voice on the phone when you call the Shire, takes bookings for all the shire facilities and attends to licencing and other customer enquiries.



Above: Tash Bowman, Jason Lip, Victoria Gracheva and Reece Lay



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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 weekly and collected each Monday for Lake Grace, Newdegate, Lake King & Varley.

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

Lake Grace	Newdegate	
4 April	11 April	
18 April	25 April	

**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 website

www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au

### **Driving Assessor**

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

Friday - 6 May 2016

#### Friday - 3 June 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 5 April 2016

#### Tuesday 19 April 2016

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

### **Harvest Ban Hotline**

Useful telephone numbers:

- For emergencies dial 000
- Total Fire Ban information 1800 709 355
- Shire of Lake Grace Harvest Ban Information 9487 7191

Please contact the Shire Office on 9890 2500 if you wish to be notified of harvest bans using SMS.

### **Ordinary Council Meeting**

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held:

#### 3:00 pm Wednesday 27 April 2016

Location: Council Chambers, 1 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.



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

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**



SHIRE PRESIDENT AND DEPUTY SHIRE PRESIDENT ELECTION RESULTS

*In accordance with Form 19 Local Government (Elections) Regulations 1997* 

Results of Election for Shire of Lake Grace

These are the results of the local government election held on 23 March 2016 at the Ordinary Meeting of Council held in Varley on 23 March 2016:

President	Candidate	Number of Votes	
	Cr JF De Landgrafft	5	
	Cr LW Armstrong	4	
Deputy President	Cr SG Hunt	un-opposed	
Therefore, Cr De Landgrafft is elected as President of the Shire of Lake Grace and Cr Hunt is elected as Deputy President of the Shire of Lake Grace until October 2017.			
Neville Hale Returning Officer			

24 March 2016