

Shire of Lake Grace Community News

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CEO's Corner



This month Council held on Wednesday 25 February 2015 at the Council Chambers, Lake Grace, its first meeting for 2015 and dealt with the following:

Planning Application

This month saw one planning application for the expansion of existing cattle feedlot on Lot 2540 Mallee Hill Road, South Newdegate. Council considered the report presented and the item was carried 9/0.

Annual General Meeting of Electors

The Annual General Meeting of Electors will be held on the 25 March 2015, commencing 5:30pm at the Varley Sports Pavilion. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the content of the Annual Report for the year ending 30 June 2014. A community BBQ and refreshments will be available following this meeting. The Shire Councillors will be joining the community, so please come along and share with Council what is important to you.

Uniting Church Lake Grace

After recent community consultation regarding the future of the Uniting Church building and land, Council discussed whether to accept a Management Order over Lot 47. It also considered the purchase of the adjacent Lot held in Freehold by the Uniting Church. After thorough discussion Council decided to accept the proposed Management Order over Lot 47 Bennett Street, Lake Grace and purchase Lot 46 Bennett Street, Lake Grace.

Lease Agreements - Lake Grace Playgroup Building & Lake Grace Childcare Centre

Amended lease agreements with the Lake Grace Playgroup and CSSU went to Council this month for the use of the Lake Grace Playgroup Building and the Lake Grace Childcare Centre for the purposes of playgroup and child care services. The amendments were to clarify the areas available for each purpose. This item was carried 9/0 subject to approval by the Minister for Lands.

Freight Loading Platforms – Lake Grace, Buniche and Newdegate

After receiving an offer from WestNet Rail for the Shire to lease the Lake Grace, Buniche and Newdegate

Freight Loading Platforms, community consultation was undertaken to receive the views and opinions of the community. Based on the feedback obtained it has been decided that the Shire will decline the offer to accept leases for the Buniche and Newdegate Loading Platforms. The Shire will be accepting the lease over the Lake Grace Platform only, including crane, subject to confirmed vehicle access to that location. Maintenance will be undertaken to ensure the platform meets safety standards and that the crane is maintained as a heritage item.

Lake Grace Saleyards – Future Use

Following an enquiry received from a member of the community interested in purchasing and developing the Lake Grace Saleyards, being Lot 2 (crn Gorge Rock and Bidy Camm Road), Lake Grace, the Shire consulted the community, asking for feedback on the use and future of the land.

After receiving feedback from the community, Council has decided to invite local stock agencies, transport operators, interested farmers, CBH and the Lake Grace Development Association to attend a meeting to ascertain the level of demand for the retention of the saleyards or its possible alternative use. Further information will be made available once it develops.

Public Question Time

During Public Question Time at the February Meeting Sarah Allan, representing the Lake Grace Day Care Committee, advised Council that the current day care arrangements with CSSU was experiencing a lack of participation numbers to the extent that it called into question the future viability of the current operation. An alternative "in venue" arrangement may need to be considered. Council expressed its support for the day care service and advised that it would continue to provide access to its leased day care facilities. It is important for the future viability of the service that it be supported by the community.

Council will continue to monitor the situation and will meet with stakeholders to discuss what can be done to ensure day care services can continue.

Neville Hale
Chief Executive Officer





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Office Opening Hours

Monday to Friday
8.30am - 4.30pm

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

Licensing Opening Hours

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| Monday to Thursday 8.30am - 4.15pm | Friday 8.30am - 4.00pm |
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Tip Opening Hours

Lake Grace

Monday, Wednesday, Saturday & Sunday
7am - 6pm

Newdegate

Wednesday 9am - 3pm
Saturday 8am - 12pm

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.

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

| Lake Grace | Newdegate |
|------------|-----------|
| 23 March | 16 March |
| 6 April | 30 March |

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 10 April 2015

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 24 March 2015

To make an appointment please contact Josiah on 0438 811 944.

We want your photos

For people who always have their camera at hand the Shire is looking for photos to promote our area.

If you have any photos of events, infrastructure or landscape please email, with a description, to shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au.

Your photos will be used to promote the area on our website, Facebook page and publications.

Please ensure you have permission from the people who are captured in the photo.

Community E-News

Are you wanting to receive the Shire's Community News, updates and latest news direct from the Shire to your email?

To register please contact the Shire on (08) 9890 2500.



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PUBLIC NOTICE

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ELECTORS

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Electors of the Shire of Lake Grace is to be held on Wednesday, 25 March 2015 at 5.30 pm at the Varley Sports Pavilion, Varley WA.

The purpose of the meeting and order of business is:

- To discuss the contents of the Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2014
- Other General Business

Each elector is entitled to one vote however voting is optional.

Members of the Public who wish to have questions **answered** at this meeting may do so by lodging written submissions with the Chief Executive Officer at the Shire Office PO Box 50 Lake Grace WA 6353 no later than Friday 20 March 2015.

Please be advised that the Annual Report for the financial year ended 30 June 2014 will be available at the meeting. When they become available copies may also be obtained by contacting the Shire Office on 9890 2500 or collected from the Shire Office at 1 Bishop St, Lake Grace .

Neville Hale
Chief Executive Officer

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Lake Grace Saleyard Meeting

To ascertain the level of demand for the retention of the Lake Grace saleyards or its possible alternative use, the Shire will be holding a meeting with interested stakeholders. Date and time to be confirmed.

If you are interested in attending this meeting please express your interest by contacting Mikaela Knill at the Shire Office on 9890 2500.



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Ordinary Council Meeting

The next Shire of Lake Grace Ordinary Council Meeting will be held:

Wednesday, 25 March 2015, 3pm
Location: Varley Sports Pavilion, Varley



Members of the public welcome.

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

Final Rates Instalment

Reminder that last rate instalment payments were due on Tuesday, 10 March 2015.



If you are having difficulty paying your rates please contact the Shire's Senior Finance Officer, Warrick Millar on 9890 2500.

Provision of Day Care for Children

It has come to the attention of the Shire that a service providing care for children during the day and after school may be operating from an unregistered business in the Shire of Lake Grace.

Please note that the use of a private house for the caring of children for reward (i.e. payment for service) requires approval by the Shire of Lake Grace under its operative town planning scheme (i.e. Town Planning Scheme No.4).

If the service is being provided from the property and to enable the Council to consider approving it, you are required to make an application to the Shire seeking planning approval for 'Family Day Care'.

Operating a 'Family Day Care' without approval under Town Planning Scheme No.4 is a breach of Section 218 of the Planning and Development Act 2005.

Potential penalties for a breach are substantial.

Parents utilising this service please note that your children may not be under any insurance cover if any long term injury occurs whilst in the care of any unregistered day care facility.

For further information please contact the Shire on 9890 2500.