Shire of Lake Grace

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Lake Grace O Newdegate O Lake King O Varley O Pingaring



From the Chief Executive Office

Summer is well and truly upon us with the heat over the past week. Unfortunately there has been very little summer rains to date and dams are getting low, so please be aware of usage.

Western Power have advised that they will be replacing the lights down the centre of Stubbs St in Lake Grace with LEDs at their own cost. Unfortunately the same style cannot be sourced but the existing poles will remain.

We found out on 10 January that we, along with 9 other councils, were successful in a \$32.8 million grant application to assist with the development of residential land in Lake Grace. The full details are not yet known, however our share is in the vicinity of \$3.3 million. This is exciting news and will assist in the development of much needed residential land to the east of town.

The highlight of the season had to be the official opening of the All Abilities Playground combined with the Harvest Festival. It was the culmination of many years planning by members of the community along with Shire staff.

What a pleasure it was to see so many people in attendance and what an atmosphere! Kudos to all involved.

Alan George, Chief Executive Officer Email: ceo@lakegrace.wa.gov.au

Highlights from Council

Highlights from the 18 December 2024 Council Meeting:

- Council approved an application for funding to be submitted through the Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program for upgrades to the Lake King - Norseman Rd. If funding is successful the project will consist of reconstruction and re-sheeting works to widen the road and lay bitumen. This will be from the current end of the sealed network at Hogan Road (SLK 13.97) to Cascades Road (SLK 37.89) for a total length of 3.92km. The project is expected to be carried out over two financial years, 2024/25 and 2025/26.
- The Annual General Meeting of Electors was scheduled to be held on Wednesday 12 February 2025 at Council Chambers, Shire of Lake Grace, commencing at 6pm.

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Next Council Meeting

3.30pm, Wednesday 12 February

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

Upcoming agendas, and minutes from previous meetings are available for public viewing at: www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au

Highlights from Council continued..

- Council authorised the CEO to execute a Statutory Declaration in relation to the old St John ambulance shed in Newdegate in order to progress the transfer of the management order over Reserve 23787 to the Shire of Lake Grace.
- In accordance with Sections 5.53 and 5.54 of the Local Government Act 1995, Council
 accepts the Annual Report for the 2023/2024 financial year, and in accordance with
 Section 5.55 of the Local Government Act 1995, Council authorise the Chief Executive
 Officer to give local public notice of the availability of the Shire of Lake Grace 2023/24
 Annual Report from Friday 20 December 2024.
- The Motion was lost in support of a submission being made to the WALGA Central Country Zone requesting WALGA support the Town of Port Hedland's stance on COVID-19 possible vaccine contamination.
- Council approved a \$500 donation to the Isolated Children's and Parent's Association for its state conference.

Citizenship Ceremony

On Australia Day 2025 the Shire of Lake Grace had the honour of conferring citizenship status on Shelley Stowers of Lake Grace.

Making the pledge of commitment at a formal ceremony is the final step in becoming an Australian citizen. Acquiring citizenship is a public declaration of commitment to Australia and an acknowledgement of the common bond of reciprocal rights and obligations enjoyed by Australia citizens.

Citizens pledge to be loyal to Australia and its people; share their democratic beliefs; respect their rights and liberties and uphold and obey the laws of Australia. In return they have the right to vote and to acquire an Australian passport.

Deputy Shire President Cr Stephen Hunt presided over the ceremony which was conducted during the Australia Day Community Citizen of the Year Awards ceremony, at the Lake Grace Lions Club BBQ Breakfast.

Our warmest congratulations to Shelley.





Community Citizen of the Year Awards 2025

Community Citizen of the Year (Lake Grace) Annette Argent



Active Citizenship - Group or Event (Newdegate) Newdegate Machinery Field Days



Community Citizen of the Year (Newdegate) Walter Newman



Active Citizenship - Group or Event (Lake Grace)



Senior Community Citizen of the Year (Lake Grace)



Young Community Citizen of the Year (Lake Grace) Latisha McGlinn







We're all part of the story







SHIRE OF LAKE GRACE PUBLIC NOTICE 2025 COUNCIL MEETINGS

In accordance with section 5.25(g) of the Local Government Act 1995, residents of the Shire of Lake Grace are advised of the following Council Meeting arrangements for 2025:

| DATE | TIME | PLACE |
|------------------------|--------|---|
| January | N/A | No meeting (annual break) |
| Wednesday 12 February | 3.30pm | Council Chambers, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace |
| Wednesday 26 March | 3.30pm | Council Chambers, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace |
| Wednesday 23 April | 3.30pm | Council Chambers, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace |
| Wednesday 28 May | 3.30pm | Council Chambers, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace |
| Wednesday 25 June | 3.30pm | Council Chambers, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace |
| Wednesday 23 July | 3.30pm | Council Chambers, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace |
| Wednesday 27 August | 3.30pm | Council Chambers, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace |
| Wednesday 24 September | 3.30pm | Council Chambers, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace |
| Wednesday 22 October | 3.30pm | Council Chambers, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace |
| Wednesday 26 November | 3.30pm | Council Chambers, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace |
| Wednesday 17 December | 3.30pm | Council Chambers, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace |

Council meetings are open to the public and members of the community are encouraged to attend and ask questions and make comments relating to Shire activities.

A minimum of 15 minutes is allowed at the beginning of each meeting for questions from the public.

The Council Agenda is available prior to the meeting and can be viewed on the Shire website at www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au

Minutes of Council meetings are also available on the Shire website.

For more information contact the Executive Assistant on 9890 2500 or email shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au

ALAN GEORGE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



SHIRE OF LAKE GRACE PUBLIC NOTICE

ANNUAL MEETING OF ELECTORS

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of Electors of the Shire of Lake Grace is to be held on **Wednesday 12 February at 6:00 pm**, Council Chambers, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the contents of the Annual Report for 2023/24 along with 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 of Lake Grace, P O Box 50, Lake Grace WA 6353, or email shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au no later than Friday 7 February 2025.

A copy of the Annual Report for the financial year ended 30 June 2024 is available and may be obtained through our website www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au or by phoning 9890 2500 or by collection from the Shire office at 1 Bishop street, Lake Grace.

Alan George
Chief Executive Officer

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Lake Grace Swimming Pool

Tuesday to Sunday: 12 noon - 6.00pm

MONDAY - CLOSED (except for early morning)

Early Morning Swimming:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 5.30am - 7.00am

Library Services

Lake Grace Community Library

School Place

T: 08 9865 1185

E: lakegracelibrary@hotmail.com

Newdegate Public Library

Collier Street T: 08 9871 1791

E: admin@newdegatecrc.com.au

Lake King Library

Newdegate/Ravensthorpe Road

T: 08 9874 4147

E: lklib@lakegrace.wa.gov.au

Town Planning & Building

Please contact the Shire of Lake Grace for all Town Planning and Building Surveying enquiries.

Email: shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au

Department of Transport

All licensing payments can be made in person at the Shire of Lake Grace Administration Building:

Monday to Friday 8:30am to 4:00pm

Please allow a minimum of 30 minutes prior to closing to enable completion of transactions.

We process the majority of transactions including: renewals, transfers, number plate orders, boat registration renewals and new licence applications.

Driving Assessor

Lake Grace holds one assessment day each month (subject to change).
Bookings are essential for all Practical Driver's Licence Assessments as there is a wait list. Please contact the Shire office for bookings. For more information go to: www.transport.wa.gov.au

Environmental Health

Please contact the Shire of Lake Grace for all Environmental Health enquiries. Email: shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au.

Waste Facilities

Lake Grace

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

Newdegate

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

Lake King and Varley

Open every day

Recycling Services

Household waste is collected each Tuesday in Lake Grace, Newdegate, Lake King & Varley.

Recycling is a fortnightly service, alternating between Lake Grace and Newdegate:

| Newdegate | Lake Grace |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| Tuesday 4 February | Tuesday 11 February |
| 18 February | 25 February |

Shire of Lake Grace

Telephone: 08 9890 2500 (8.00am–5.00pm) | Email: shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au Administration Building, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace (8.30am–4.00pm Monday to Friday)

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