

Shire of Lake Grace

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From the Acting Chief Executive Officer

Over the past fortnight, the Shire has progressed important work following the recent community consultation regarding the future of the Pink Building. As a result of the recommendations outlined from the Community Meeting held on 6 February, the Shire has now engaged an engineering consulting company to undertake a detailed structural integrity assessment of the building.

This assessment will provide Council with critical information regarding the condition and viability of the structure and will guide future decision-making in relation to the next stages identified within the Community Summary Report. Council remains committed to ensuring that any future use of the building is informed, sustainable and reflective of community expectations.

Unfortunately, during the fortnight, the Shire was made aware of an incident that is extremely disappointing and concerning for our community. On Friday 20 March, a community member reported witnessing a group of local youths deliberately lighting a fire within the All-Abilities Playground harvester. This behaviour represents a clear act of vandalism and a complete disregard for community infrastructure that is provided for the benefit of all.

The Shire is currently investigating the incident to determine the extent of any damage caused. Should damage be identified, the matter will be referred to the appropriate authorities for further action.

Let me be clear, this type of behaviour will not be tolerated. Acts of vandalism, particularly within facilities designed to support inclusive community use, undermine the efforts and investment made by Council and the wider community. Individuals responsible will be held accountable for their actions.

We encourage all members of the community to take pride in our shared spaces and to report any inappropriate behaviour to assist in maintaining the safety and integrity of our facilities.

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Next Council Meeting

3.30pm, Wednesday 25 March

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

the growing centre

Freestyle Now visits Lake Grace!

Local young riders had the opportunity to build their skills and confidence earlier this month, when Freestyle Now visited Lake Grace on 17 March.

The team, known across Australia for delivering high-energy BMX, scooter and skatepark coaching sessions, ran both a school presentation and an after-school workshop at the local pump track. Their programs are designed to inspire young people while promoting active lifestyles, safety and skill development in a fun and supportive environment.

Early in the day, students were treated to an engaging presentation that highlighted not only impressive riding skills, but also important messages around perseverance, goal setting and safety. The excitement carried into the afternoon workshop, where participants were given hands-on coaching to help them better understand and use the pump track.

One of the most impressive aspects of the session was the diversity of the group. From young children just starting out to high school students refining their technique, all participants were fully engaged and eager to learn. Coaches worked with riders at their individual skill levels, helping to build both ability and confidence on the track.

The visit proved highly beneficial for the Lake Grace youth community, encouraging healthy outdoor activity while strengthening skills and self-belief. Events like this also play an important role in bringing young people together and creating positive community connections.

Importantly, this initiative was sparked by ideas raised through the Shire's Youth Advisory Committee. It's a great reminder that young voices in our community are being heard and can lead to real opportunities like this. If you're a young person with ideas you'd like to see come to life in Lake Grace, consider joining the Youth Advisory Committee and having your say.



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COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Lake Grace Swimming Pool

SEASON CLOSING 29th MARCH

Mon: 5:30am - 7:00am
Tues: 5:30am - 7:00am & 12:00pm - 6:00pm
Wed: 5:30am - 7:00am & 12:00pm - 6:00pm
Thurs: 5:30am - 7:00am & 12:00pm - 6:00pm
Fri: 5:30am - 7:00am & 12:00pm - 6:00pm
Sat: 12:00pm - 6:00pm
Sun: 12:00pm - 6:00pm

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 31 March 14 April	Tuesday 7 April 21 April

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