

Following adoption of the 2020-21 Shire Budget at the August Ordinary Council Meeting, this week the community were invited to the 2020 Sundowner and Budget Presentation held in conjunction with the Donnybrook Balingup Chamber of Commerce and Industry, and with special guest Hon. Nola Marino MP, Assistant Minister for Regional Development and Territories and Federal Member for Forrest. The 2020-21 Budget includes one of the Shire's biggest capital works and projects program on record, with many of these key projects already underway.

Residents and visitors to Donnybrook will notice the Donnybrook Town Centre Revitalisation Project is starting to take shape. Fencing around the perimeter of the space has been erected and the public can log into the on-site camera to see live updates of the project as construction progresses via the details below.

At this week's Ordinary Council Meeting, Council authorised a grant agreement for the early release of up to \$250,000 of project funds for the planning and delivery of the much-anticipated Donnybrook Community Sporting, Recreation and Entertainment Precinct. The community will be kept informed of updates to the project as it develops.

Submissions have now closed for the Expressions of Interest from interested parties for the operation of Tuia Lodge Residential Aged Care facility. The Shire will now review the submissions and a report will be provided to Council at the next Ordinary Council Meeting in October.

In this year's budget the Shire has made allowance for a supplementary round of funding for the Community Grant Funding Scheme (CGFS). This funding program aims to build local communities and enhance the social wellbeing and development of the community. Details of the supplementary funding round are available on the Shire website. Individuals, community groups, not for profit and commercial organisations seeking support for community projects and events are encouraged to apply.

Shire President Brian Piesse and Chief Executive Officer Benjamin (Ben) Rose



From left: Shire CEO Ben Rose, Chamber President Rowan Lowe, Nola Marino MP, Shire President Brian Piesse



The site of the Donnybrook Town Centre Revitalisation is now fenced off and ready for construction. The public can view updates via Blackbox.

COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS *Wednesday 23 September 2020*

- The community will have the opportunity to name the park precinct as part of the Donnybrook Town Centre Revitalisation Project with Council endorsing a competition open to the public to submit names for the park.
- Council approved an application by the Kirup Progress Association to change funding of \$1,500 from the Community Grant Funding Scheme to install a water tank, reticulation, and planting of native trees at the Kirup Mill Park.
- Due to an error in the Fees and Charges adopted by Council in August 2020 Council adopted the amended fees and charges for the sale of water from standpipes.
- Council authorised the CEO to execute a grant agreement with the State Government for the early release of up to \$250,000 of project funds for the planning and delivery of the DCSREP.
- Council acknowledged the community response in relation to the discussion (not decision) of relocating Vin Farley Rotary Playground to within the DCSREP and instructs the CEO to exclude planning for the playground relocation from any project plans until, or unless, directed otherwise by Council.

Council Meeting Minutes are available on the Shire Website www.donnybrook-balingup.wa.gov.au

NEXT AGENDA BRIEFING SESSION: Wednesday 21 October, 2pm, Donnybrook Council Chambers

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: Wednesday 28 October, 5pm, Balingup Hall

2020-21 SHIRE RATES

A friendly reminder that your Rates are due 15 October 2020. You may pay in full by the due date or choose one of the instalment options available, the first instalment is payable by 15 October 2020. Please note that interest will commence 16th October 2020. Payments can be made via weekly or fortnightly direct debit (forms available online), credit or debit card, Bpay, by mail or in person.

We are here to help, Pensioner concessions are available to those who meet the eligibility criteria and if you are suffering financial hardship, the Shire has a financial hardship policy in place.

Contact us to discuss your payment options, email rates@donnybrook.wa.gov.au or call 9780 4200.

ADVICE OF SHIRE WORKS October 2020

The Shire of Donnybrook Balingup advises that the following works are in progress or programmed to commence in the near future. Please note all works are subject to weather and other conditions, therefore dates may change.

MELDENE PATHWAY PROJECT Stage two of the Meldene Estate pathway project has commenced and will continue throughout October. This section of pathway will be constructed along the Donnybrook Country Club boundary, connecting the pathway on Bentley Street to the recently constructed Stage 1 Meldene Estate pathway. The Shire is working closely with representatives from the Donnybrook Country Club. Works are expected to create minimal disruptions to club patrons and surrounding land owners.

JAYES ROAD Pruning of road-side vegetation is proposed to commence in late October.

SOUTHAMPTON ROAD Upgrade and seal section of road from SLK 6.5 to 7.8

BROOKHAMPTON ROAD Reconditioning of shoulders, roadside delineation and re-establish seal width of section of road from the SW Highway to Kirup Grimwade Road.

SANDHILLS ROAD Recondition of shoulders and drains, asphaltting Sandhills Road Bridge and resealing of identified sections of road.

Hours of operation are normally between 7.00am and 5.00pm, Monday to Friday. Works will be clearly signed and you are requested to exercise due care when travelling near or through these areas. Delays are expected to be minimal.

Should you require further information, please contact the Shire Works & Services Department on 9780 4209.

REQUEST FOR COMMENT

PROPOSED TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE - UPGRADE TO SECTION OF UPPER CAPEL ROAD, BRAZIER (SLK 18 TO 20.7)

Upgrade works to a portion of Upper Capel Road are scheduled to commence in January 2021. Works will include realignment and widening of the road and improvements to existing drainage. A road closure for an approximate 3km section of Upper Capel Road, is proposed for the works, from the intersection of Claymore Road heading towards Kirup. The closure is proposed to be in place from 01 February 2021 for up to 4 weeks. Landowners within the proposed road closure will still have access to their property under traffic management, and the road will be open for use afterhours and on weekends. When the closure is in place, all other traffic will be detoured via Ryalls Road. The Shire invites any comments in writing regarding the proposed temporary road closure prior to Friday 16th October 2020.

Please submit all comments to records@donnybrook.wa.gov.au or addressed to:

CEO, Shire of Donnybrook Balingup, PO Box 94, DONNYBROOK WA 6239

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Benjamin (Ben) Rose, Chief Executive Officer

WHAT'S ON IN OCTOBER

DONNYBROOK RECREATION CENTRE

Take advantage of our School Holiday specials including Skate & Swim for \$5, Family Swimtime for \$10 and Badminton for \$3. *Conditions apply.*

Institute of Indigenous Wellbeing and Sport of WA - Free Southwest

Regional Holiday Program: Tuesday 6 October, 9.30am - 11.30am.

Term 4 Program Launch week commencing 19 October.

DONNYBROOK LIBRARY

Register for the STEM programs; Cargo Ship Building on 1 October from 10.30am, Robot Making on 5 October from 10.30am

Biscuits and Board Games every Monday from 3.15pm - 4.00pm

IT Support every Tuesday from 3.15pm - 4.00pm

Whilst there is no official storytime, the children's room is still available for use and we have a range of resources available for loan.

FOR THE LATEST UPDATES VISIT THE SHIRE WEBSITE.

2020 SHOWERHEAD SWAP PROGRAM

From 1 October 2020, customers in the Shire of Donnybrook Balingup will be able to swap up to two, old, inefficient showerheads for new water efficient models for free at the following locations:

Shire Administration Office,

Cnr Bentley and Collins Street, Donnybrook

Donnybrook Community Library,

Cnr Bentley and Emerald Street, Donnybrook

Balingup Library

Jayes Road, Balingup

Conditions apply visit

<https://www.watercorporation.com.au/waterwiseoffers> for more information.



Shire of Donnybrook Balingup (Administration Office) Cnr Bentley and Collins Street, Donnybrook

Office Hours Monday - Friday, 8.30am - 4.00pm

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