



Shire of Mukinbudin

OCTOBER 2018

INFORMATION REPORT



Works Supervisor's Report – September 2018

Author: Pace Vernon, Manager of Works
 Responsible Officer: Dirk Sellenger, Chief Executive Officer
 Date: 11th October 2018

MONTHLY COUNCIL REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2018

Town Works

- Flowers (potted colour) has been planted in the main street and near Caravan Park
- Pool, Administration Office, Lions Park and Complex lawns verti-mowed
- Sports Complex surrounds cleaned for fire prevention
- White St footpath project started
- Garden and Reticulation works at Joint Venture single units
- Weed spraying around streets and laneways
- Repairs to the AV system at Sports Complex
- Equipment ordered for Caravan Park and Pool WIFI upgrade
- Gardens and reticulation in park bay (west) have been renovated

Road Crew

- RR-022 finish clearing
- Hardstand constructed for new Men's Shed building
- Gravel pushed at 4 out of 5 pits ready for carting
- Various guide posts and signs installed on rural roads

Maintenance Grading

- Sprigg Road
- Percy Road
- McGregor Road
- Jones East Road
- Manual Road
- Toole Road
- Copeland South Road
- Copeland Road
- Clamp Road
- Cunderin Road
- Beringbooding Road
- Connell Road

Repairs

- P344 938 loader front diff pinion seal
- P301 Cat 12H transmission hydraulic hose replaced
- Push cylinder mower returned fully serviced from Perth
- P153 Towed Roller tyre replaced and wheel plate modified
- P344 938 Front universal joint repair

Private Works

- Slashing for John Inferrera
- Carting sand 20m³
- School oval works during School Holidays
- Slashing for John Hobbs

Building Maintenance

- Unit 8 refurbishment completed, then damage occurred from a failing tap washer - insurance repairs under way
- Painting of barge boards at aged units
- Checking of HWS, and servicing of evaporative air-conditioners prior to Summer.

Various Works Photos



Potted colour planted at western entry to town



Administration Office lawn verti-mowing



Garden bed at entry to Sports Complex



Road Works – McGregor Road



Hardstand construction for Men's Shed

SHIRE OF MUKINBUDIN PLANT DETAILS OF USE - AS AT 11/10/2018

Plant No	Plant Item	Rego No	Opening Hrs / Kms	Closing Hrs / Kms /	Total Hrs or Kms for month
P433	2018 Toyota Prado	MBL 1	2,417	7,152	4,735
P312	2016 Mitsubishi Outlander	1 MBL	34,783	37,428	2,645
P313	2017 Ford Ranger Ute – Maintenance Grader	MBL 1071	18,835	21,783	2,948
P291	2015 Ford Ranger – Road Crew	MBL 1000	47,689	48,341	652
P311	2016 Isuzu D-Max Works Supervisor	MBL 2	67,637	70,615	2,978
P279	Mitsubishi six wheeler	MBL 696	345,605	345,747	142
P281	2002 Coaster Community Bus	0 MBL	126,460	127,128	668
P369	2008 DAF Prime Mover MBL250	MBL 250	263,529	264,261	732
P289	2015 Isuzu Light Truck - Road Crew	MBL 405	47,456	50,663	3,207
P317	2002 Komatsu Backhoe	MBL 1091	7,682	7,698	16
P403	2010 New Holland Tractor	MBL 1463	2,824	2,827	3
P216	2014 John Deere Tractor	MBL 244	670	695	25
P469	2015 Toyota Hiace Van - Mtce Officer	MBL 180	54,996	56,174	1,178
P301	2004 CAT 12H Grader	MBL 100	11,828	11,964	136
P461	2014 CAT 12M Grader	MBL 251	3,704	3,738	34
P411	2011 Hino 614	MBL 1070	55,880	57,002	1,122
P410	2011 Hino 816	MBL 150	112,287	112,661	374
P344	2006 CAT 938 Loader	MBL 1424	11,643	11,685	42
P420	2008 CAT Vibe Roller	MBL 1677	5,597	5,604	7
P462	2014 Dynapack Multi Tyre Roller	MBL 811	715	716	1
P449	2011 CAT Skid Steer	MBL 1724	1,550	1,557	7
P377	Toro Mower	MBL 386	3,096	3,096	0
P383	Kobota 28KVA Generator	N/A	3,597	3,597	0

Community Development Report – September 2018

Author: Nola Comerford-Smith, Administration Manager

Responsible Officer: Dirk Sellenger, Chief Executive Officer

Date: 11th October 2018

Funding Applications in Progress:

- Lotterywest – Historical project including informative signs of original shop owners and pioneer & residents wall.

Funded Projects:

- Lotterywest - Mukinbudin Occasional Care purpose-built building.
- Age Friendly Communities – this grant includes Aqua Aerobic training for three local community members with the condition that a minimum of two aqua aerobic classes per week are held throughout the 2018/2019 pool season. The grant also covers seniors trips and events, the first of which will be a trip to Kalgoorlie on 24-26 October.
- WA Seniors Week

Acquitted Projects:

- CBH Grass Roots Fund – Mukinbudin Spring Festival – entertainment. This was used for entertainment for the closing night of the Spring Festival as part contribution to The Eastern Line.

OTHER PROJECTS

Senior's Trip

Funding through Aged Friendly Communities includes a Senior's Trip to Kalgoorlie. The itinerary is as follows:

Wednesday 24th October

- travel to Kalgoorlie on Prospector
- visit Super Pit lookout
- bus tour around Kalgoorlie/Boulder
- dinner at Railway Motel

Thursday 25th October

- Hannan's North Tourism Mine Museum
- Lunch in town and free time for shopping
- Museum of the Goldfields

Friday 26th October

- Bus tour of Kalgoorlie
- Travel to Merredin on Prospector

Bogan Bingo

This Planning & Development event will be held at the Memorial Hall on Saturday 27th October.



Meetings Attended/Events Organised

- Thursday 27th September, 4th, 11th October – Tai Chi
- Tuesday 9th October – CRC AGM, General Meeting
- Wednesday 10th October – Cancer Council WA Meeting
- Wednesday 10th October – P&D Meeting/Spring Festival debrief
- Thursday 6th, Friday 7th September – Community Development Conference
- Tuesday 11th September – CRC Meeting

Mukinbudin Caravan Park – September 2018

Recent Caravan Park Reviews:

Your name: Ken and Beth Pusey

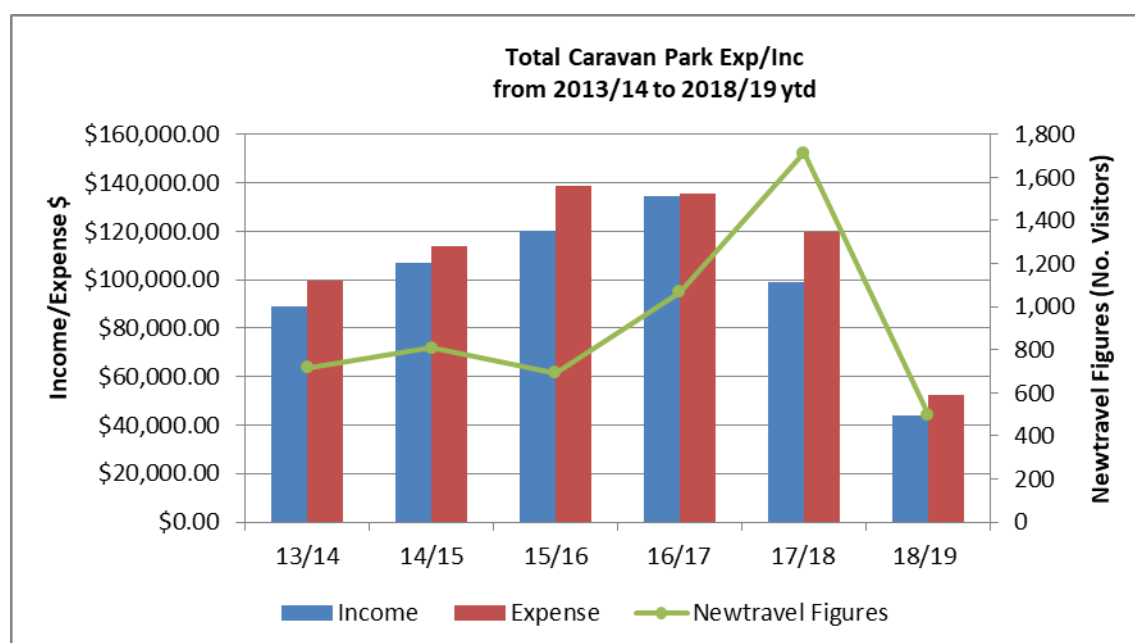
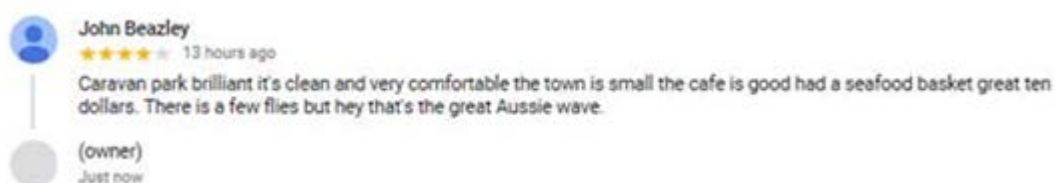
Your email address: kbpusey@bigpond.com

Your phone number: 0428533552

Your enquiry: We would both like to send commendations to you after our stay in your caravan park.

The park and facilities were pristine, the best we have ever seen and the atmosphere was great.

Lennie and Caroline were wonderful hosts and their efforts certainly appreciated.



	Income	Expense	Newtravel Figures		
13/14	\$88,843.30	\$99,290.05	716		
14/15	\$107,057.82	\$113,643.10	808		
15/16	\$119,942.86	\$138,449.16	691		
16/17	\$134,610.55	\$135,440.53	1068		
17/18	\$98,737.81	\$119,860.73	1713		
18/19	\$43,946.29	\$52,400.46	500	* Estimated	

Mukinbudin Caravan Park Annual Income							
	<i>Self Contained Units</i>	<i>Barracks</i>	<i>Sites & Wifi</i>	<i>Washing Machine</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Total Expense</i>
2005/2006	\$19,358.08	\$11,082.32	\$10,521.76	\$1,171.16	N/A	\$42,133.32	
2006/2007	\$22,820.21	\$9,753.06	\$17,095.20	\$981.35	N/A	\$50,649.82	
2007/2008	\$27,304.76	\$5,422.75	\$11,244.47	\$678.16	N/A	\$44,650.14	
2008/2009	\$37,214.39	\$10,554.55	\$16,773.76	\$663.63	N/A	\$65,206.33	
2009/2010	\$33,567.84	\$9,096.35	\$15,504.70	\$1,036.36	N/A	\$59,205.25	
2010/2011	\$38,054.93	\$15,604.59	\$15,817.92	\$845.55	N/A	\$70,322.99	
2011/2012	\$34,724.53	\$11,056.46	\$18,753.08	\$773.19	N/A	\$65,307.26	
2012/2013	\$44,682.83	\$17,477.98	\$24,860.15	\$1,050.17	N/A	\$88,071.13	
2013/2014	\$47,423.80	\$13,681.74	\$26,393.17	\$1,344.59	N/A	\$88,843.30	\$99,290.05
2014/2015	\$42,590.61	\$21,760.04	\$25,554.90	\$1,404.95	\$15,747.32	\$107,057.82	\$113,643.10
2015/2016	\$52,036.96	\$21,992.28	\$28,080.19	\$1,583.50	\$16,249.93	\$119,942.86	\$138,449.16
2016/2017	\$57,851.98	\$25,921.13	\$35,873.85	\$1,668.19	\$13,295.40	\$134,610.55	\$135,440.53
2017/2018	\$46,345.64	\$17,691.47	\$22,955.26	\$1,600.00	\$10,145.44	\$98,737.81	\$119,860.73
Mukinbudin Caravan Park Income and Expenditure							
	<i>Self Contained Units</i>	<i>Barracks</i>	<i>Sites & Wifi</i>	<i>Washing Machine</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total Income</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>
Jul-18	\$4,495.50	\$1,694.54	\$2,358.62	\$7.27	\$545.45	\$9,101.38	\$9,209.59
Aug-18	\$5,331.88	\$2,651.78	\$3,337.85	\$365.46	\$1,090.89	\$12,777.86	\$32,772.63
Sep-18	\$6,776.10	\$2,574.56	\$9,252.79	\$0.00	\$3,463.60	\$22,067.05	\$10,418.24
Total	\$9,827.38	\$4,346.32	\$5,696.47	\$372.73	\$1,636.34	\$43,946.29	\$52,400.46

8 Lansdell St – YTD Profit Loss

Account Code	Account Description	Budget YTD	September Movement	Actual YTD	Variance \$
130901160	Income - 8 Lansdell Street GEN	-5004.00	0.00	-10120.00	-1668.00
BO041	8 Lansdell St Building Operations	3283.00	553.50	1652.00	697.50
BM041	8 Lansdell St Building Maintenance	816.00	0.00	126.81	272.00
GM041	8 Lansdell Street Grounds Maintenance	918.00	0.00	1378.90	306.00
	Overall Loss/-Profit	13.00	553.50	-6962.29	-392.50

Principal Environmental Health Officer's Report – September 2018

Author: Peter Toboss, Principal Environmental Health Officer
 Responsible Officer: Peter Toboss, Principal Environmental Health Officer Date:
 Date: 10th October 2018

Comment:

The Principal Environmental Health Officer attends the Shire of Mukinbudin office every Wednesday.

Background Information:

This report provides insights of important tasks undertaken by the PEHO on a monthly basis.

Food Business:

Nil

Public Building Inspections:

The PEHO conducted an assessment of Mukinbudin Hotel/Motel building on 19 September 2018 following a request from the owner. The assessment revealed a number of issues relevant to the requirements of the Health (Public Buildings) Regulations 1992 and a list of items requiring action has been provided to the owner. In addition to the list, the owner has also been advised to seek further assistance from structural engineer to determine the structural safety of the building.

Waste & Recycle 2018 Conference:

The PEHO attended the Waste and Recycle 2018 Conference in Perth. The conference was successful and it covered diverse range of issues such as the new container deposit scheme program, community waste reduction strategies, waste circular economy, recycling of plastic and E-Waste etc.

2017-18 Waste and Recycling Local Government Census:

The annual waste census from the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation was completed and submitted. This waste census is conducted annually and completion of the census is a Waste Authority requirement for any local government wishing to access funding from the Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Account.

Water sampling:

The monthly sampling of Mukinbudin Wastewater Treatment Plant was undertaken and the laboratory results of water quality sample taken from the oval outlet met the required standards.

Strategic & Social Implications:

Nil

Policy Implication:

Nil

Financial Implication:

Nil

PEHO – Principal Environmental Health Officer, Peter Toboss
CEO - Chief Executive Officer, Dirk Sellenger
CDO – Administration Manager, Nola Comerford-Smith

Statutory Environment:

Food Act 2008

Public Health Act 2016

Health (Public Buildings) Regulations 1992

Mukinbudin Aquatic Centre Report – September 2018

Author: Simon Comerford, Swimming Pool Manager
 Responsible Officer: Dirk Sellenger, Chief Executive Officer
 Date: 11th October 2018

- The pool is progressing well with all algae cleared and most debris removed.
- The lawns are in much better condition thanks to the townsite crew who have recently dethatched the grass and looked after this during the shutdown period.
- A foot-valve failed and a new one will be installed once the weather warms up (the process requires approximately one hour in waist-deep water to install).
- The shade sails will be erected in a week or so when the lawn has re-established after dethatching.
- PEHO Peter Toboss will test the water on Wednesday 24th October which will be sent for analysis.
- Opening day for the season is set to be between Thursday 1st and Saturday 3rd October, dependant on weather.



Above: preparing for opening



Above: dethatched lawn



CORRESPONDENCE

September 2018



Our Ref: 18/148504
Your Ref:

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Chief Executive Officer
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	TO	SIGN	DATE
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Dear Mr Sellenger

INTRODUCTION OF \$1,000 TOTAL FIRE BAN INFRINGEMENT

In November 2017, I wrote to you regarding the introduction of a process to investigate and coordinate Total Fire Ban (TFB) breaches under section 22B and 22C of the *Bush Fires Act 1954*.

During the 2017/18 bush fire season there were 26 TFB days declared and 62 breaches, with 25 of these the result of landscape fires.

Following discussions with a number of local governments, it was identified that the ability to infringe would provide a more streamlined approach, as well as serving as a more effective deterrent.

Local government can now issue a \$1,000 infringement notice as an option to prosecution for a TFB breach. I anticipate that the Minister will make an announcement in early October in relation to this matter.

I trust that this change will assist local government in managing fire risk in the community by providing an alternative option to deal with those individuals that breach TFBs.

I thank you for the valuable input and assistance in working collaboratively and seek your continued support to enforce TFBs and TFB exemptions this bushfire season.

If you require further information, please contact DFES Manager Compliance, Stephen McClelland on 9395 9509 or regulation.compliance@dfes.wa.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

**DARREN KLEMM AFSM
COMMISSIONER**

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Local Government Act Review

On Wednesday, 19 September, the Minister for Local Government announced the public consultation for the new *Local Government Act*, and released a series of [discussion papers](#) which cover a range of issues to get the conversations started.

WALGA and the Department of Local Government Sport and Cultural Industries will host a series of Local Government Act Forums throughout October and November to inform the development of a new Local Government Act for Western Australia.

These facilitated forums will be held in respective WALGA Zones groupings. This approach will maximize the opportunity for Councils' input.

A Zone Report will be developed following each forum to inform WALGA Zone discussions and the development of submissions.

Following WALGA's request, the consultation period has been extended to Sunday, **31 March 2019**.

WALGA is currently organising the Local Government Act forums. The forums will be for all Elected Members, CEOs and CEO-nominated staff. The forums will

be held between Wednesday, **10 October** and Monday, **5 November**.

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We are seeking to have as many Local Government representatives participate as possible.

It is important to note that the [discussion papers](#) that have been produced are from the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries and not from WALGA. WALGA will respond to the papers after receiving feedback from the sector. It is anticipated that an item will be prepared for sector position on all the issues at the February/March round of Zone and State Council meetings.

WALGA is committed to providing the best opportunity for members to inform the development of the new Local Government Act.

To register for a Forum or view the dates and locations, click [here](#).

WALGA will be preparing an InfoPage highlighting the current sector's positions against the various issues that have been highlighted in the Department's papers in the next week.

For more information, email Executive Manager, Governance and Organisational Services [Tony Brown](#).

New Look for WALGA RoadWise Website

The new WALGA RoadWise website has been launched with a bright new design that incorporates block colours and information tiles to highlight popular road safety topics, projects and resources.

The website features:

- The child car restraint project now features prominently on the home page with a dedicated information tile allowing website visitors to gain access with one click.
- Visitors to the website are able to locate road safety information about their region quickly, through a dedicated menu tile and a matching information tile on the home page.
- The new 'Tools and Resources' menu tile allows regular website visitors, or those who have an idea what they need, to access road safety resources with one click.
- News, events and social media updates now feature prominently and more dynamically on the home page, helping to showcase the achievements of the WALGA RoadWise network.

For more information, visit the RoadWise [website](#).

Governance Training

The following courses are available for Local Government Officers:

[Policy Development and Procedure Writing in Local Government](#)

Wednesday and Thursday, **10 and 11 October**

[Local Government Act 1995 - The Essentials](#)

Friday, **19 October**

[Rates in Local Government - Clerical](#)

Tuesday, **13 November**

[Rates in Local Government - Debt Collection](#)

Wednesday, **14 November**

To register online, visit the [WALGA Training website](#) or for more information email the [Training Team](#).

FINAL CALL: People and Culture Seminar 2018

The Local Government People and Culture Seminar aims to engage Local Government Officers from a range of disciplines and organisational levels, with speakers offering expertise to help attendees influence their organisation's culture and build capacity to innovate.

Date: Friday, **12 October**

Time: 8:30am to 5:00pm (Registrations from 8:00am)

Venue: Optus Stadium

Cost: \$300 (Incl GST)

RSVP: By Tuesday, **9 October**

Topics covered by this seminar include:

- Workplace Disputes and Engaging with Industrial Tribunals
- Coaching Style of Leadership and Holding Hard Conversations
- Gender Diversity and Unconscious Bias
- Social Media and HR
- Learning from past Local Government Inquiries (panel session), and
- Update of WALGA's new Temporary Personnel Services Preferred Supplier Panel.

The day will conclude with a networking sundowner.

CEOs, senior staff, line managers, governance and human resource practitioners, training and recruitment officers from all Local Governments and Associate Members are encouraged to attend.

Click [here](#) to register for the seminar.

For more information, email Marketing and Events Officer [Ulla Prill](#) or call **9213 2043**.

FINAL CALL: 2018 WA Transport and Roads Forum

WALGA and Main Roads WA invite you to the 2018 WA Transport and Roads Forum which will provide Local Governments the opportunity to influence the future direction of policy, explore challenges and share strategies, hear the latest updates and engage with the State Government.

Date: Tuesday, **16 October**
Time: 8:45am to 4:15pm
Venue: Crown Perth
Cost: \$50 (incl GST)

Registration is essential by Tuesday, **9 October**.

Registration and further information regarding speakers and topics is available [here](#).

For more information, email Policy Officer, Transport and Roads, [Marissa MacDonald](#) or call 9213 2050.

Draft National Biosecurity Statement

The Australian Government Department of Agriculture and Water Resources (DAWR) is seeking input into the content of a [National Biosecurity Statement](#).

The National Biosecurity Statement is intended to present a common and unified approach to biosecurity by:

- providing a national vision and goals for biosecurity
- providing clarity on the roles and responsibilities of all participants, and
- outlining priorities and principles for managing biosecurity risk.

Submissions on the statement close on Wednesday, **31 October** and can be made directly to DAWR [here](#).

Local Governments wishing to contribute to WALGA's submission are asked to provide a copy of their submission or comments to Environment Policy Manager [Nicole Matthews](#) by COB Wednesday, **10 October**.

For more information, view the [InfoPage](#).

DWER Fees and Charges Discussion Paper – Open for Consultation

The Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) is seeking comments on its discussion paper on a cost recovery approach for the assessment of applications made under Part V of the *Environmental Protection Act (1986)*, and for licences for the approval to both take water (5C licence) and construct or alter a bore (26D licence) under the *Rights in Water and Irrigation Act (1914)*.

The discussion paper canvasses substantial increases in application fees for permits to clear native vegetation under Part V of the *Environmental Protection Act (1986)*, and in application fees for licences under the *Rights in Water and Irrigation Act (1914)* that will have financial and program implications for Local Governments.

The discussion paper and additional information, can be found [here](#).

DWER is seeking feedback on the discussion paper by Thursday, **1 November**.

Local Governments are encouraged to read the discussion paper, consider the implications of the fee increases for their operations and make a submission as required.

To assist in the formulation of the WALGA submission, Local Governments are asked to provide a copy of their submission or comments to Executive Manager, Environment and Waste [Mark Batty](#) by Thursday, **18 October**.

DWER is holding stakeholder information and workshop sessions in Geraldton on Wednesday, **10 October** and Broome on Tuesday, **16 October**.

A dedicated session for the Wheatbelt and surrounding Local Governments in Northam will be held from 9:45am to 12:30pm on Monday, **29 October**.

Click [here](#) to register for the Northam event.

View the [InfoPage](#) for more details.

For more information, email Executive Manager, Environment and Waste [Mark Batty](#) or call 9213 2078.

Draft WA Cultural Infrastructure Strategy Regional Consultation Webinars

The Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries (DLGSC) has prepared the draft WA Cultural Infrastructure Strategy and is seeking input from Local Governments.

The purpose of the strategy, the first for the State, is to enrich the lives of Western Australians by ensuring access to arts and cultural experiences.

WALGA and DLGSC are hosting two upcoming webinars as part of the consultation phase and all Local Governments are encouraged to take part.

The first webinar will provide an overview of the draft strategy and the second will engage with Local Governments for feedback.

The webinars can be accessed online on the following dates. Register for the webinars using the links below:

Tuesday, **23 October** at 2:30pm - Information Session
[Webinar 1 registration](#)

Tuesday, **30 October** at 2:30pm - Engagement and Feedback
[Webinar 2 registration](#)

For more information on the draft WA Cultural Infrastructure Strategy, email the [DLGSC](#) or call 6552 7466.

2019 WA Wetland Management Conference - Call for Presentations

The Cockburn Wetlands Education Centre invites all interested persons to contribute plenary, poster and/or workshop presentations to its 15th annual WA Wetland Management Conference, to be held at the Cockburn Wetlands Education Centre on Friday, 1 February 2019 in celebration of World Wetlands Day.

The primary objective of the Conference is to provide an annual opportunity for the exchange of information and ideas with a focus on the latest developments about how to effectively manage and restore wetlands. This year's theme follows the Ramsar theme for 2019 of 'Wetlands and Climate Change'. Sub-themes include wetland management and restoration, wetland education and wetland policy.

The conference will feature keynote, plenary and poster presentations, and concurrent workshop sessions and interpretive tours of local restoration sites. Groups are encouraged to contribute displays and other information. The closing date for abstracts is Friday, **26 October**.

The conference program and call for registrations will be issued in late November.

For more information, refer to the [information sheet](#) or email The Wetlands Centre Cockburn Westlands Officer [Denise Crosbie](#).

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Draft State Waste Strategy Released for Comment

Consultation closed on the Waste Authority [Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Strategy Consultation Paper](#) in February. WALGA provided a comprehensive [submission](#) on the paper as did a number of Local Governments, Regional Councils and other organisations.

The Waste Authority has now released a [Draft Waste Strategy 2030](#) for comment.

As per the requirements of the *Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Act*, this draft is released for a 28-day comment period.

Comments on the strategy are due by 5:00pm, Tuesday, **6 November** via email to the [Waste Strategy Review Team](#).

WALGA will be developing a comprehensive submission on the Draft Strategy. Local Governments are encouraged to provide feedback by 1:00pm, Wednesday, **24 October**.

To contribute to the WALGA submission or for more information, email Manager, Waste and Recycling [Rebecca Brown](#) or call 9213 2063.

Aquatic Facilities Regulation Review

The Department of Health (DoH) has reviewed the *Health (Aquatic Facilities) Regulations 2007* to determine if these public health risks should be regulated under the *Public Health Act 2016*, or whether these risks are better managed through alternative approaches such as other State Government legislation, a guideline or Local Government law.

The Discussion Paper [Management of Public Health Risks Associated With Aquatic Facilities in WA](#) describes the current management of aquatic facilities under the *Health (Aquatic Facilities) Regulations 2007* (Aquatic Facilities Regulations), which adopts the Code of Practice for the Design, Construction, Operation, Management, and Maintenance of Aquatic Facilities, and which replaced the previous *Health (Swimming Pool) Regulations 1964*.

Submissions are due to the DoH by Friday, **30 November**.

WALGA is preparing a sector-wide submission and is seeking comments or copies of Local Government submissions by Friday, **16 November**.

To submit comments or for more information, email Policy Manager, Community [Kirstie Davis](#).

Off-Road Vehicles Paper – Comments Close in One Week

WALGA has developed a paper on Off-Road Vehicles (ORVs) in response to requests from Local Governments. The paper includes recommendations to State Government for the effective control of ORVs, and will be presented to the December State Council meeting for endorsement.

With more ORVs being purchased each year, and detrimental effects on the environment and community safety, affected Local Governments have requested that WALGA assist in finding a solution to the control of off-road vehicles.

Although some of the effects of ORV use are negative, ORV use can also provide a boost to tourism. Therefore Local Governments would like to see an outcome that encourages the use of ORVs in some areas without the accompanying safety concerns.

WALGA has worked extensively with stakeholders from Local and State Government and affected user groups to develop the recommendations

contained in this paper.

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Councils are requested to provide feedback by Friday, **19 October** to ensure it can be incorporated in the final paper.

The paper is available [here](#).

To submit comments or for more information, email Senior Policy Advisor [Evie Devitt-Rix](#) or call 9213 2082.

DWER Fees and Charges Discussion Paper – Comments Close in One Week

The Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) is seeking comments on its discussion paper on a cost recovery approach for the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation made under Part V of the *Environmental Protection Act (1986)*, and for licences for the approval to both take water (5C licence) and construct or alter a bore (26D licence) under the *Rights in Water and Irrigation Act (1914)*.

The discussion paper canvasses substantial increases in application fees for permits to clear native vegetation, and in application fees for water licences that will have financial and program implications for Local Governments.

The discussion paper and additional information, can be found [here](#).

DWER is holding stakeholder information and workshop sessions in Broome on Tuesday, **16 October**, Carnarvon on Tuesday, **23 October** and Manjimup on Friday, **26 October**. To register for these sessions click [here](#).

A dedicated session for Local Governments will be held in Northam from 9:45am to 12:30pm on Monday, **29 October**. Click [here](#) to register for the Northam event.

DWER is seeking feedback on the discussion paper by Thursday, **1 November**.

Local Governments are encouraged to read the discussion paper, consider the implications of the fee increases for their operations and make a submission as required.

To assist in the formulation of the WALGA submission, Local Governments are asked to provide a copy of their submission or comments to Executive Manager, Environment and Waste [Mark Batt](#)y by Thursday, **18 October**.

View the [InfoPage](#) for more details.

For more information, email Executive Manager, Environment and Waste [Mark Batt](#)y or call 9213 2078.

Personal Development and Professional Skills Training

The following courses are available for Local Government Officers:

[Effective Letter & Report Writing in Local Government](#)

Friday, **26 October**

[Effective Supervision - Part 2](#)

Tuesday & Wednesday, **6 & 7 November**

[Dealing with Difficult Customers](#)

Friday, **16 November**

[Preparing Agendas & Minutes in Local Government](#)

Monday, **3 December**

[Presenting with Confidence](#)

Tuesday, **11 December**

To register online, visit the [WALGA Training website](#) or for more information email the [Training Team](#).

Regional Airport Development Scheme Grants 2019-2021 Funding Round

Regional Local Governments operating airports are invited to apply for the 2019-2021 round of the State Government Regional Airports Development Scheme (RADS).

This round of grants, totalling more than \$3.8 million, will provide vital funding to help upgrade infrastructure and safety at regional airports throughout WA.

A total of 29 regional airport projects were granted more than \$2.7 million in the 2017-19 RADS funding round. The projects funded included runway widening and resealing, solar runway lighting, construction of a helicopter landing site, security upgrades and fencing to keep animals off the runway.

[Applications](#) for the 2019-21 round close on Monday, **19 November**.

For more information, email the [Department of Transport](#) or call 6551 6961.

Age-Friendly WA Workshop

The Department of Communities is hosting the 2018 Age-friendly workshop on Tuesday, 13 November and Local Governments are encouraged to attend.

The focus of this year's session will be on understanding ageism, its impact on vulnerable communities and how we can best respond.

The Department of Communities is partnering with the International Federation on Ageing and the workshop will be facilitated by world leading expert Dr Jane Barratt, Secretary General of the International Federation on Ageing. The workshop will include presentations by Ms Marlene Krasovitsky, Every Age

Counts campaign director and Professor Loretta Baldassar from the University of Western Australia.

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Event details

Date: Tuesday, 13 November

Time: 8:30am (for an 8:45am start) – 2:30pm

Venue: Telethon Speech and Hearing Centre, 36 Dodd Street, Wembley

Places are limited. RSVP by Tuesday, 6 November. Click [here](#) to register.

For more information, email Department of Communities Strategy Officer [Sotear Ellis](#).

Funding for Active and Engaged Communities

Community and sporting organisations are being encouraged to apply to share in \$1 million in funding from the State Government's Targeted Participation Program.

Applications are now open for projects in the \$1000 to \$15,000 and \$15,001 to \$50,000 grant categories.

The program targets projects that increase participation in physical activity and encourage pathways into community sport and active recreation. Funding may be used for training volunteers, workshops, venue and equipment hire, transport and travel and administration.

Click [here](#) for more information about the application deadlines or to apply.

For more information, email the Department of Local Government, Sports and Cultural Industries [Inclusion Team](#).

Remembrance Day Toolkit for Local Governments

The Commonwealth, in consultation with states and territories, has developed a nationally consistent brand for Remembrance Day on Sunday, 11 November.

Branding resources and guidelines, as well as fact sheets, can be accessed on [the Anzac Centenary website](#).

The toolkit also includes social media banners and media backgrounders.

Local Governments are asked to encourage the community to wear a red poppy as a symbol of remembrance and to stop at 11:00am on 11 November to observe one minute of silence and reflect on their service and sacrifice, and that of their families.

For more information, email the Department of Veterans' Affairs [Communications Team](#).

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2018 WADE Celebration & Business Expo

MONDAY, 8 OCTOBER



Invitation



Western Australian Disability Enterprises



Please join us with the Minister for Disability Services, Hon Stephen Dawson MLC, in celebrating the outstanding employment outcomes achieved for people with disability.

Date: Wednesday, **24 October**
Time: 9:30am to 12:00pm
Venue: The Rise, 28 Eighth Ave
Maylands
Dress: Smart casual
RSVP: Friday, **12 October**

This is the perfect opportunity to engage with WADE and the Department of Finance and see for yourself how your support helps their employees and the wider community. Light refreshments will be provided.

If you would like to attend this event, please [register here](#) by Friday, 12 October with any dietary requirements. Please note this invitation is not transferable.

We look forward to seeing you there!
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