

SHIRE MATTERS



Monthly Newsletter for the Shire of Dandaragan



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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

by Cr Leslee Holmes

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What a beautiful day to be writing my report. It seems like summer is actually going to start sometime soon. The Shire had their monthly meeting in Dandaragan last week and it was a joy to drive over there and still see wildflowers everywhere and healthy looking crops in the paddocks. I am told that many farmers still would like to see some more rain so we will be hoping for that for them. I drove to Perth straight after the meeting via the Dandaragan Road which has to be one of the most beautiful drives in our Shire. The undulating landscape make it not only interesting, but the late afternoon adds to its beauty. If you have not done the drive to

Perth that way I urge you to try it before the summer comes. The day after the meeting CEO Brent and I went to Brookton at the invitation of the Shire President for a Regenerative Farming Forum. This was opened by The Honourable Minister Alannah MacTiernan, Minister for Regional Development; Agriculture and Food, and even though the day was extremely cold the conference was very interesting with a great group of highly regarded speakers. We came away with a greater understanding of the need to take care of our land for future generations.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE CONT...

I was fortunate to attend a presentation by Keith Whelan from The Grants Guy who came to Jurien Bay last month to talk about the success of crowdfunding all over the world. This was presented by the Jurien Bay Chamber of Commerce, Ardross Group and The Joint Chambers Alliance. This was very good timing for us as we are living in a world where local councils face limited revenue growth,

whether through rate-capping, legislation or political unpalatability. All over the world local governments are turning to crowdfunding to achieve social goals, while also giving the community a direct say in decision making. The presentation really opened my eyes to what is achievable. The most important part of this month's report is to let you know about our major review of the Strategic Community Plan

called Envision 2029. By now you will have received a small flyer in your letterboxes informing you of the process we are about to undertake and also a survey for completion.

We want the community to partner with us to shape our future. To make this plan a success we will be seeking the views of as many members of our communities as possible.



Envision 2029 Shire Of Dandaragan

ENVISION 2029 - STAGE ONE

The Shire of Dandaragan has commenced the major review of the Strategic Community Plan, Envision 2029, with the launch of the Community Scorecard. Surveys form the first stage of a five-stage community engagement strategy, where community members are encouraged to contribute to the long-term planning for the Shire of Dandaragan.

During this stage, Scorecard respondents will be asked to rate the Shire as a place to live, as an organisation across a broad range of areas and to tell us what you would most like the Shire to focus on. This will not only give us some broad ideas about what we need to improve as a Shire and organisation, but will allow us to compare how we are doing compared to other Shires.

All 14 years and above are invited to have their say by completing the Community Scorecard available on the Shire of Dandaragan website. Responses are due 5pm, Friday 26 October 2018, with computer access and assistance available at the Dandaragan and Jurien Bay Community Resource Centres. A paper Scorecard will be posted to each household, however individuals are encouraged to complete it online from the Shire of Dandaragan website.

To ensure Envision 2029 is representative of our Shire, we need input from as many members of our community as possible. By participating in this review process, community members can share their ideas, thoughts and vision for the Shire and ensure that Council considers what is important to them when developing our plan for the future.



Four young people attended the Badgingarra meeting and five young people attended the Dandaragan meeting offering great ideas on how they want the Youth Advisory Council to run, why they think it is important for young people to have a say and what they think the best way for young people to have a say is. We are looking at creating a youth specific Facebook group which will be used as a forum for young people to discuss their issues and ideas. We are also looking forward to holding a meeting with all the young people interested in being a part of the Youth Advisory Council over the coming months.

If you or someone you know were unable to make the meetings but are interested in getting involved contact Brooke on 08 9652 0800 or at bhearle@dandaragan.wa.gov.au.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE CONT...

This will be a five-stage process and unlike any that we have done in the past. This is a unique opportunity for you to not only have your say, but to bring forward great ideas that will help to shape your future. I urge you all to take part, have your say so that we can all work together to produce the outcome we need for a successful future. We all know the world is changing and our part of the world is changing as well. It is far better

to have been part of that change than to be driven along by something you do not like or agree with. If you examine the 5 stages there will be a place for you to be heard and we welcome as much input as possible. If anyone has not received one of the flyers or survey they are available in the Shire office or online.

I look forward to seeing you all when we reach the Stage 4 Community Workshops.



NOTICE TO ALL PET OWNERS
 Pet owners are reminded that dog & cat licences expire on 31 October in each year. Renewal notices will be out shortly for all registrations expiring on 31 October 2018. Please remember that as of 1 November 2015 all animals are required to be micro-chipped.



aluminium & steel cans (empty)



glass bottles and jars



plastic bottles and containers



cardboard (flattened)



paper (excluding)

Extractive Industry Road Maintenance Contribution Fee

Shire of Dandaragan - Extractive Industry Road Maintenance Contribution Fee

The Shire of Dandaragan is seeking public comment on a proposal to charge Shire licensed extractive industries an annual road maintenance contribution of \$0.50 per estimated tonnage of material transported off-site for the lifetime of operation.

The purpose of this fee is to cover expenses incurred by the Shire for the repair and maintenance of Council's roads, pursuant to clause 3.1 (5q) of the Shire of Dandaragan Extractive Industries Local Law. The fee is proposed to be charged from the fourth calendar quarter of 2018.

Submissions close at 4pm, Wednesday 7 November 2018 and can be lodged online via email: council@dandaragan.wa.gov.au or posted to: Shire of Dandaragan, PO Box 676, Jurien Bay WA 6516.

RYCYCLING UPDATE

In response to China banning the import of many recyclable materials to protect their environment and improve Public Health, Western Australia State and local governments developed strategies to reduce contamination in recyclables streams, including clear and consistent messages in education campaigns. The following items be placed in recycle bins:

- Material in bags (any recyclable material should be placed loose in the bin)
 - Plastic bags and light plastic film
 - Nappies
 - Clothes or other textiles
 - Garden waste and food waste
 - Gas bottles
 - Ropes, cables and garden hose pipes
 - Aerosol Cans (this item was previously accepted)
- If in doubt, leave it out and contact or visit Recycle Right, to find out where it goes.



Please be advised, as of the 1 November 2018 up to and including the 28 February 2019 the Shire of Dandaragan will be in prohibited, permits to burn will not be issued, NO CAMPFIREs are allowed not even for the purpose of camping & cooking. Please remember to maintain all firebreaks on your properties and hazard separation zones around dwellings throughout the prohibited period.

Also ensure you clear around electrically powered pumps including stationary internal combustion engines. Fire prevention saves lives, reduces damage to property, livestock, crops and protects the environment.



ARE YOU PREPARED FOR THE BUSHFIRE SEASON?
 All residents are reminded that **FIREBREAKS & FUEL HAZARD REDUCTION** work must be installed by 1 November 2018 and maintained (clear of inflammable materials) up to and including 30 April 2019, in accordance with the Shire's Firebreak and Fuel Hazard Reduction Notice 2018 / 2019. Notices were sent out with your rates assessment or a copy can be obtained from the Jurien Bay Administration Centre or the website www.dandaragan.wa.gov.au. Rangers will be carrying out inspection of properties from 1 November 2018 for non-compliance.



Osteoporosis Solutions Mobile Service

What is osteoporosis?

Osteoporosis is a common disease affecting over 1 million Australians. Osteoporosis occurs when bones lose minerals, such as calcium more quickly than the body can replace them, causing a loss of bone thickness (bone density or mass).

From around the age of 35, you gradually lose bone density, which is the amount of calcium and other minerals in your bones. This is a normal part of ageing, but in some people their bone density is very low (osteoporosis) and they have an increased risk of fractures. This disease makes bones become brittle leading to a higher risk of breaks than in normal bone. As bones become thinner and less dense, even a minor bump or fall can cause a serious fracture. A 'fracture' is a complete or partial break in a bone.

Any bone can be affected by osteoporosis, but the most common sites are the hip, spine and wrist. Osteoporosis usually has no symptoms until a fracture occurs; this is why osteoporosis is often called the 'silent disease' that can affect both men and women.

The Shire of Dandaragan is working with Osteoporosis Solutions to arrange for a mobile bone density screening van to visit Jurien Bay in November of this year. A medical doctor's referral is required to arrange an appointment. We therefore encourage members of the public aged 50 and over to discuss this with their GP and make an appointment by ringing Osteoporosis Solutions on 1300 659 796. You can find more information at <http://www.osteoporosissolutions.com.au/content/page/wa-mobile.html>



2018 CITIZEN / YOUNG CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARDS

The Shire of Dandaragan is again inviting nominations from clubs, organisations and citizens within the Shire for the abovementioned awards.

Nomination forms may be obtained from the Shire office in Jurien Bay or the Shire of Dandaragan's website.

NOMINATIONS CLOSE FRIDAY 23 NOVEMBER 2018

The awards ceremony will be held at the Dandaragan Community Centre in February 2019 commencing at 7.00pm. Supper and refreshments will be provided.

AN INVITATION IS EXTENDED TO THE PUBLIC TO ATTEND